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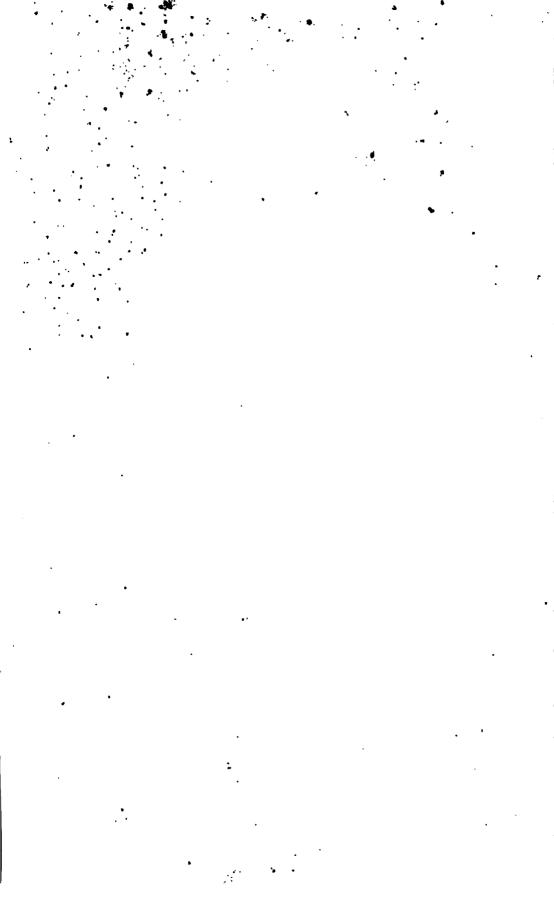
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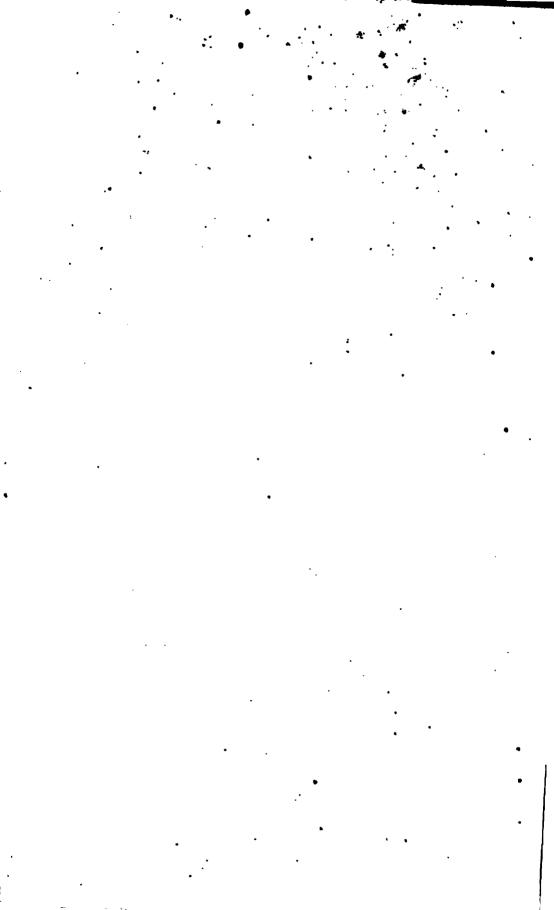
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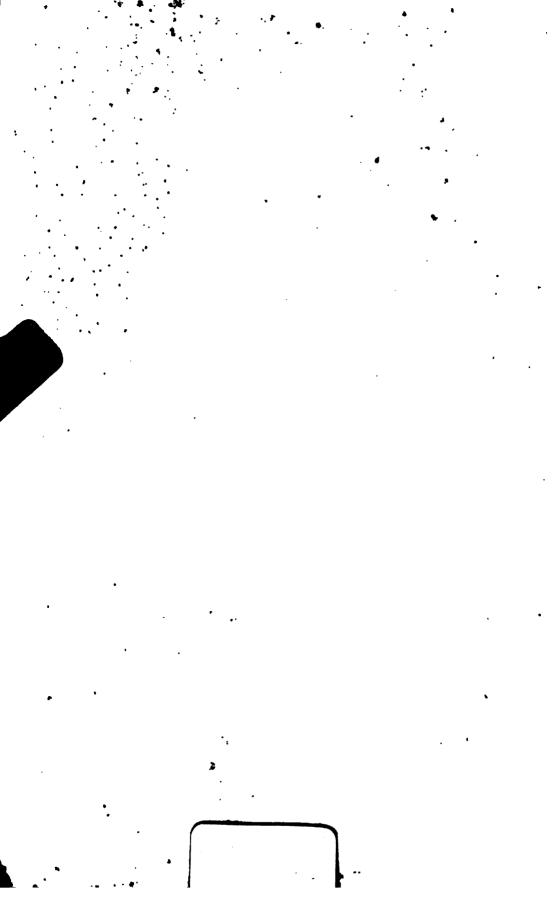
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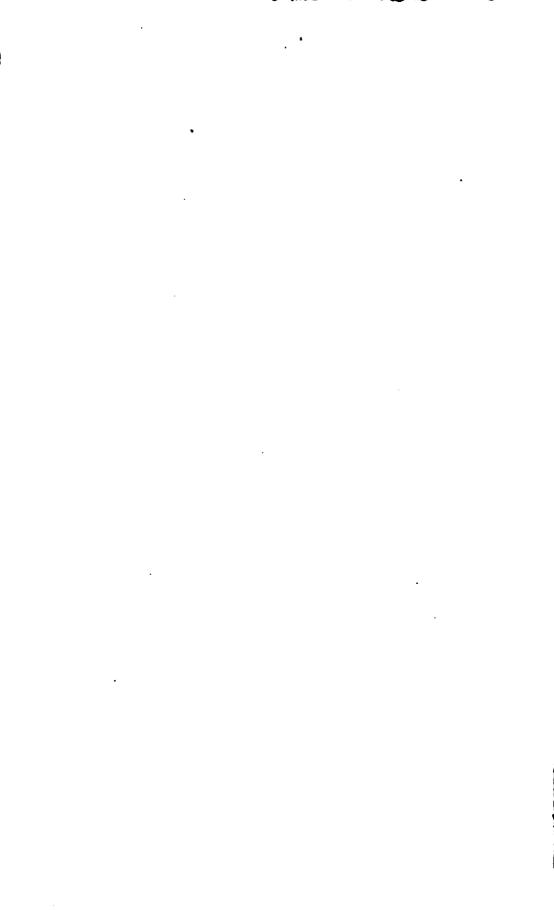














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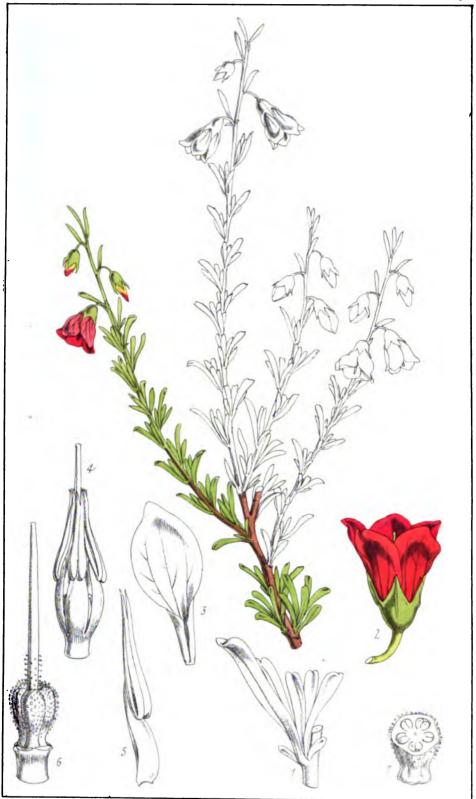
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Hermannia fasciculata, Baker.

TAB, 289.

Natural Order STERCULIACEE. Tribe HERMANNIEE. Genus HERMANNIA. Linn.

H. FASCICULATA, Baker. Fruticosa ramis gracilibus virgatis glabris viscosis, foliis perparvis fasciculatis sessilibus anguste oblanceolatis integris crassis glabris nigro punctatis uninervis apice obtusis emarginatis decurvatis, racemis paucifloris, floribus cernuis, pedicellis glabris, calycis campanulati glabri dentibus deltoideo-cuspidatis tubo æquilongis, petalis obovatis unguiculatis calyce duplo superantibus, filamentis ligulatis antheris bifidis æquilongis, ovariis glabris glandulosis.

A native of Cape Colony, discovered by Mr. Cooper.

A copiously-branched low shrub, with slender rigid virgate glabrous densely viscose branches. Leaves in numerous close tufts, with up to six or eight leaves in each, sessile, narrowly oblanceolate, entire, three to four lines long, thick and rather fleshy in texture, dotted with minute black glands, glabrous on both sides with the midrib channelled down the face and elevated on the back, narrowed gradually to the base from near the truncate rather decurved slightly emarginate point. Flowers in sparse racemes on cernuous glabrous pedicels a line and a half to two lines long, each bracteated at the base by a single leaf. Calux campanulate, glabrous, one-eighth of an inch deep at the flowering time, the deltoid cuspidate teeth equalling the tube. Pctals more than twice the calyx, claret-purple, obovate, with a distinct claw with enrolled borders, which is rather shorter than the blade. Filaments flat, strap-shaped, equalling in length the connivent bifid anthers. Ovary glabrous, but densely glandulose; style overtopping the stamens.

Of described species, near only to *H. filifolia*, Linn., from which it differs by being quite destitute of hairs, and by the shape of its leaves and calyx-segments, and larger more showy flowers.

Tab. 289.—1, portion of stem with tuft of leaves; 2, entire flower; 3, petal; 4, stamens and pistil; 5, a single stamen; 6, pistil; 7, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This is a neat little plant, requiring the protection of the greenhouse in winter, and to be placed in the open air during the summer, where it flowers freely. It wants but little pot-room, and should be grown in light sandy loam and peat, with the drainage carefully attended to. My stock of the plant originated from seeds sent to me from South Africa by Mr. Thos. Cooper.—W. W. S.





Geranium ornithopodum, Eckl. et Zwier

TAB. 290.

Natural Order GERANIACE.E. Tribe GERANIEE. Genus GERANIUM. Linn.

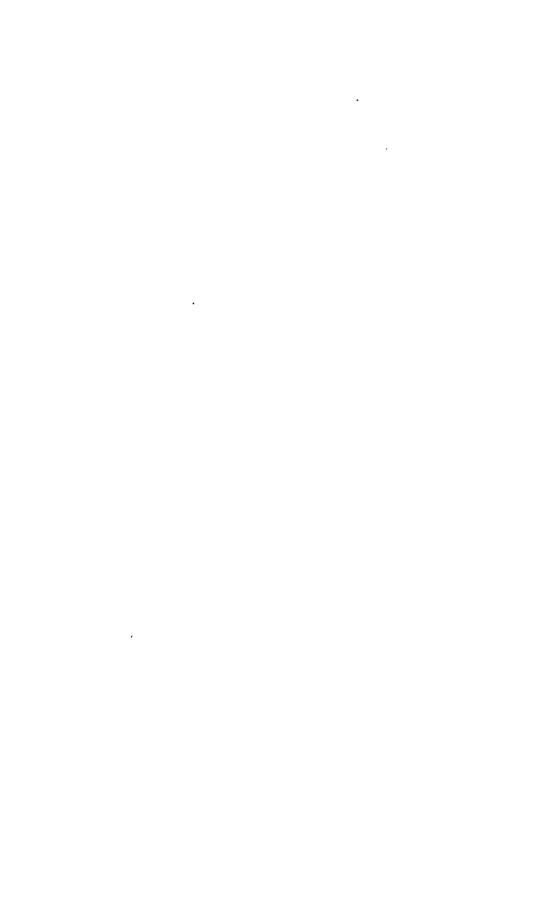
G. ORNITHOPODUM (Ecklon et Zeyher, Pl. Cap. No. 449). Herbacea 8—5 pedalis perennis diffusa, caulibus gracilibus dense albopubescentibus, foliis longe petiolatis rotundis ad vel ultra medium palmatim quinquepartitis lobis pinnatifidis, præsertim ad faciem inferiorem molliter pubescentibus, bracteis et stipulis parvis laciniatis, floribus copiosis cernuis geminis mediocribus, pedicellis et sepalis oblongo-cuspidatis dense pubescentibus, petalis albo-rubris calyce subduplo longioribus. — Harv. Fl. Cap. i. 258.

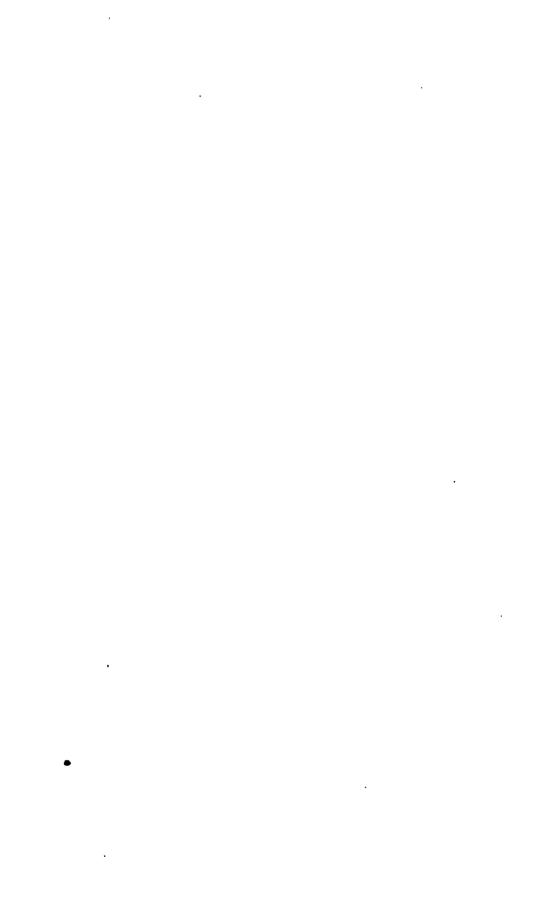
A native of Cape Colony, gathered by Zeyher, Drege, Burchell, and many other collectors.

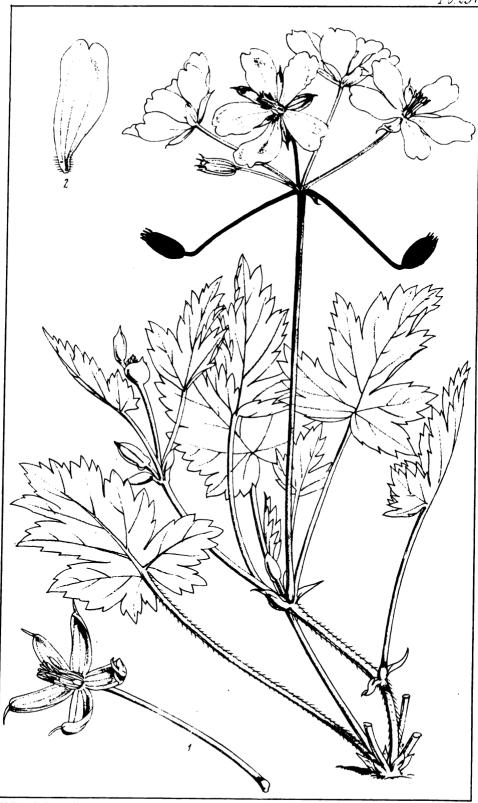
A copiously diffusely-branched perennial herb, with the general habit of our English G. pyrenaicum, reaching a height of four to five feet, with slender stems densely clothed with soft short decurved whitish hairs. Lower petioles reaching a foot long, upper an inch or less. Stipules minute, cut into linear segments. Leaves roundish in general outline, thin and soft in texture, downy principally on the lower face, three to four inches broad, palmately five-lobed usually at least half-way down, with pinnatifid divisions. Flowers in pairs on densely downy drooping slender pedicels one-fourth to three-fourths of an inch long, the hairs of which are sometimes gland-tipped. Calyx one-fourth of an inch deep; the sepals oblong, very downy, cuspidate. Petals twice as long as the sepals, in our plant white veined with red. Beak of carpels downy, six to seven lines long.

Tab. 290.—1, flower with petals taken away, magnified.—J. G. B.

This straggling species of *Geranium* was grown by Mr. Thos. Cooper, of Reigate, from seeds which he procured in South Africa. It seems to require greenhouse treatment during the winter, and likes a light rich soil.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 291.

Natural Order GERANIACEA. Tribe GERANIEA. Genus Eroduw, L'Herit.

E. Munbyanum (Boiss. ex Munby, Bull. Soc. Bot. France, ii. 283). Herbacea perennis diffusa caulibus glaucescentibus, stipulis ovato-lanceolatis scariosis, foliis cordato-ovatis irregulariter crenatis sæpissime ad medium palmatim tripartitis utrinque viridibus supra glabrescentibus subtus ad venas leviter pilosis, umbellis 5—8-floris, bracteis latis scariosis persistentibus, pedicellis subglabris, sepalis oblongis cuspidatis, petalis obovatis calyce duplo superantibus superioribus angustioribus basali nigro-maculato, filamentis staminum fertilium edentulis, carpellis hispidis rostro biunciali. — Walp. Ann. iv. 898. E. mauritanicum, Cosson et Durieu Bull. Soc. Bot. France, ii. 809.

A native of Algeria, gathered by numerous collectors, and named by Boissier in compliment to our countryman, Mr. Munby, who has so carefully explored the Flora of that country.

A copiously-branched herbaceous perennial, about a foot high, with moderately stout stems, clothed when young with a few spreading grav bristly hairs, becoming glabrous as they mature. Stipules scariose, ovate-lanceolate, persistent, three to four lines long. Petioles slightly downy, the lower five to six inches, the upper under one inch, long. Leaves an inch to two inches broad. cordate-ovate, blunt, irregularly inciso-crenate, usually threelobed about half-way down to the middle, moderately thick in texture, green on both surfaces, glabrescent above, furnished with a few inconspicuous hairs on the veins below. Flowers in copious terminal umbels of five to eight flowers each. Bracts like the stipules in texture, ovate or roundish, persistent. Pedicels nine to fifteen lines long, very slender, subglabrous, purplish. Calux three and a half to four lines long: the sepals oblong, with very distinct cusps. Petals obovate, five-eighths of an inch long, purple, the two upper ones rather narrower than the other three, the basal one with a black spot in the throat. Filaments of the fertile stamens entire. Carpels hispid, the beak finally two inches long.

Tab. 291.—1, flower with petals taken away; 2, single petal.—
J. G. B.

A rather showy and pretty species of *Erodium*, for the seeds of which I am indebted to Giles Munby, Esq. It thrives in light rich soil, produces seeds freely, and will probably prove hardy, although we have treated it as a frame perennial during the winter.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 292.

Natural Order GERANIACEÆ. Sub-order OxalideÆ. Genus Oxalis, Linn.

- Sub-genus Thamnoxys (Planch. Flore des Serres, viii. 281). Caulescentes suffruticosæ foliosæ foliis trifoliolatis foliolis ovatis vel lanceolatis intermedio petiolulato pedunculis multifloris ovarii loculis sæpissime uniovulatis.
- O. Neæi (D. C. Prodr. i. 690) var. glabrata (Baker). Suffruticosa 1—2-pedalis ramis strictis gracillimis, foliis trifoliatis membranaceis supra glabris nitide viridibus subtus obscure albidosericeis purpureis, folioli terminali longe petiolulato ovato acuminato, lateralibus sessilibus obliquis, floribus parvis inconspicuis in cymis paucifloris unifurcatis axillaribus longe pedunculatis dispositis, sepalis lanceolatis dorso puberulis, petalis albidis obovato-spathulatis calyce duplo superantibus, staminibus trimorphis cum stylis inclusis.—G. Don, Gard. Dict. i. 754.

A native of Mexico.

An erect undershrub, a foot to two feet high, with straight slender puberulent branches. Petioles an inch to three inches long, finely downy like the stem. Leaflets three, entire, thin, shining, dark green and glabrous above, purple and thinly pubescent beneath; the central one ovate-acuminate, an inch and a half to two inches long, on a petiolule six to nine lines long; lateral leaflets sessile, rather smaller, a little unequal-sided. Flowers in copious once-forked cymes, on erect slender peduncles, half an inch to two inches long, from the axils of the leaves. Pedicels very short. Calyx a line and a half to two lines long, slightly downy; sepals lanceolate. Petals whitish, obovate-spathulate, twice the calyx. Stamens trimorphic, always shorter than the petals. Styles pubescent.

This may be distinct specifically from O. Neæi, the wild specimens of which, that I have seen, are densely pubescent, with longer drooping pedicels, and leaves green on the under surface. It closely resembles O. Lindeni and O. acuminata of Turczaninow in the 'Moscow Bulletin' for 1858, p. 429, both of which are evidently one species, but that has the terminal leaflet very nearly sessile.

Tab. 292.—1, bud; 2, entire flower; 3, single petal; 4, pistils: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A very interesting and remarkable species of Oxalis, forming a small shrub when well grown. I obtained it from Mons. J. Linden, of Brussels, who has kindly furnished me with many rare plants. It thrives in a warm greenhouse, where it flowers freely, grown in sandy loam and leaf-mould. It is easily increased by cuttings.—W. W. S.





Trichilia spondioides Swartz.

TAB. 293.

Natural Order Meliaceæ. Genus Trichilia, Linn.

T. SPONDIOIDES (Swartz, Fl. Ind. Occ. p. 730). Arborea ramis pubescentibus foliis imparipinnatis foliolis 8—6-jugis obovatooblongis leviter pubescentibus lateralibus obliquis, paniculis thyrsoideis foliis multo brevioribus, filamentis pubescentibus prope basin distincte concretis. — Jacq. Hort. Schoen. vol. i. t. 102; D. C. Prodr. i. 622.

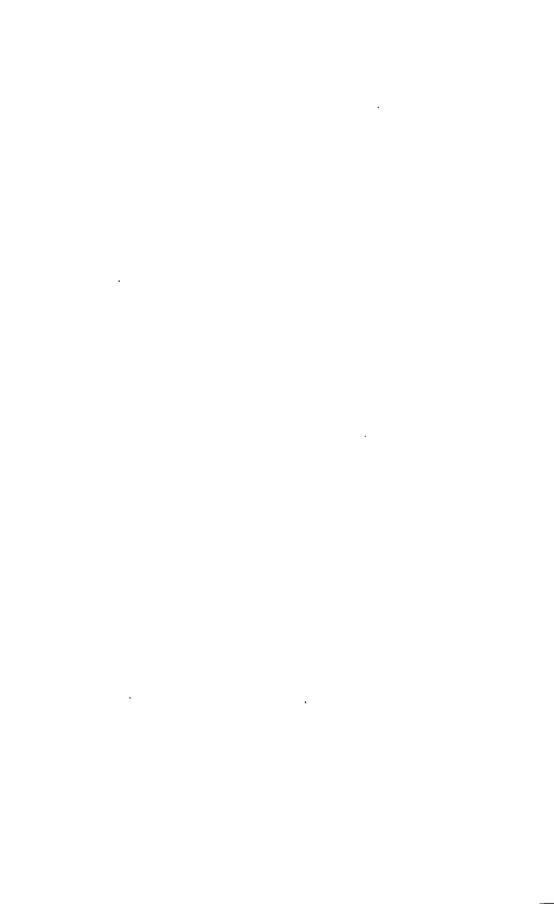
Widely diffused in Tropical America, from the West Indies southward to Columbia and Brazil.

A tree reaching fifteen to twenty feet high, with virgate branches pubescent when young. Leaves imparipinnate, with three to six pairs of shortly stalked opposite leaflets: petiole woody, two to three inches long; rachis reaching half a foot or more in the lower leaves; end leaflets obovate-oblong, three to four inches long, often cuspidate; side ones rounded at the base, especially on the upper side, the lower ones growing gradually shorter than the others: texture scarcely coriaceous; both sides bright green, inconspicuously pubescent; main veins channelled above and raised beneath. Flowers in copious stiff erecto-patent short-stalked axillary thyrsoid panicles much shorter than the leaves. Pedicels very short. Calyx green, rotate, very minute, the lobes deltoid. Corolla campanulate, milk-white, one-eighth of an inch deep. Filaments strap-shaped, pubescent, distinctly monadelphous for the lower third or quarter. Fruit a persistent triquetrous capsule half an inch deep, with loculicidal dehiscence, containing usually three large seeds.

Tab. 293.—1, half-closed flower; 2, opened flower; 3, 4, stamens; 5, pistil and calyx: all magnified.—J. G. B.

The fine foliage of this plant makes it an interesting object in the stove, although its flowers are not remarkable for beauty. The plant was sent to me by the late Dr. Bowman from the vicinity of Rio Janeiro. The plant delights in plenty of potroom and a liberal supply of water. It grows freely in strong loam, and should be placed in a shady position—W. W. S.







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TAB. 294.

Natural Order Leguminosæ. Sub-order Mimoseæ.

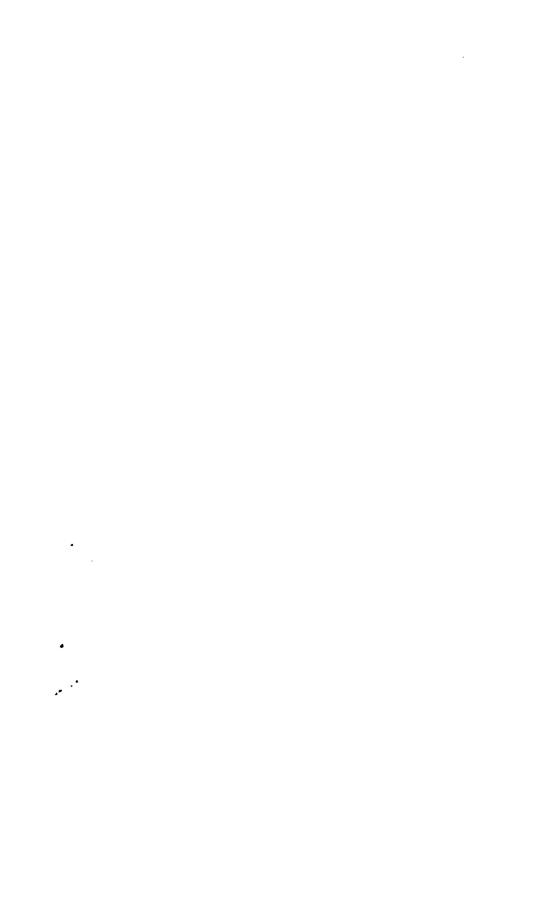
- Genus Calliandra (Benth. in Hook. Lond. Journ. iii. 93). Flores 5-meri vel rarius 6-meri polygami. Calyx campanulatus dentatus vel rarius profundior divisus. Corolla infundibuliformis petalis ad medium coalitis. Stamina 10—100, longe exserta basi vel alte in tubum connata; antheræ minutæ glandulosohirtæ rarius glabræ polline in quoque loculo in massas 2 vel 4 agglomerato. Ovarium sessile multiovulatum; stylus filiformis stigmate terminale. Legumen lineare rectum vel vix falcatum plano-compressum vel subtus valvis ad basin elastice dehiscentibus, intus continuum epulposum. Benth. et Hook. fil. Gen. Plant. i. 596.
- C. GRACILIS (Klotzsch, Plantæ Ottoanæ Exsic. No. 404). Ramis virgatis puberulis, foliis bipinnatis, pinnis 2—8-jugis foliolis 4—6-jugis mediocribus inæquilateraliter obovato-oblongis obtusis mucronatis utrinque pubescentibus supra obscure læte viridibus subtus pallidis, capitulis 20—80-floris longe pedunculatis, calycibus sessilibus glabris dentibus lanceolatis tubo æquilongis, petalis lanceolatis calyce duplo superantibus, staminibus 80—40 calyce 6—8-plo superantibus, leguminibus glabris plano-compressis leviter falcatis 10—12-spermis.

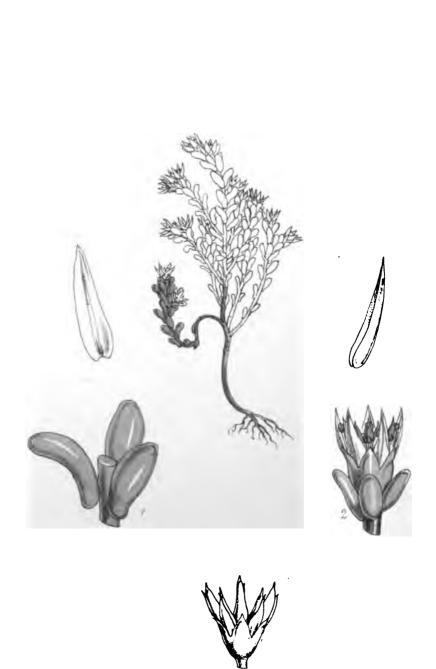
A native of Columbia, gathered by Otto, Moritz, Fendler and others.

A copiously branched shrub, with long straight branches and finely downy branchlets. Stipules lanceolate, acute, scariose, persistent, striated, a line and a half to two lines. Leaves shortstalked, abruptly bipinnate; pinnæ two- to three-jugate, erectopatent; leaflets in four to six pairs, nine to fifteen lines long, obovate-oblong, unequal-sided, blunt, with a small mucro, finely persistently pubescent on both sides, dull apple-green above, Heads twenty- to thirty-flowered, on erectopaler beneath. patent downy axillary peduncles two to four inches long. Flowers sessile. Calyx one line long, glabrous, the lanceolate teeth about equalling the tube. Corolla vellowish, nearly twice the calvx. Stamens thirty to forty, six or eight times the length of the calyx. Pod glabrous, compressed, slightly falcate, two and a half to three inches long, ten- to twelve-seeded.

Tab. 294.—1, single flower, magnified.—J. G. B.

For an opportunity of figuring this interesting species of Calliandra I am indebted to the national establishment at Kew, where, in the stove, it forms a shrub with many branches, and when in flower has an elegant appearance, the ball-like pale cream-coloured flowers contrasting well with the dark pinnated foliage.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 295.

Natural Order CRASSULACEE. Genus SEDUM, Linn. Section PROGRASSULA, Griseb.

C. CESPITOSUM (D. C. Prodr. iii. 405). Annua glabra pusilla caulibus rubentibus erectis sepissime ramosis, foliis confertis oblongis obtusis parvis teretiusculis, cymarum ramis brevibus paucifioris, pedicellis subnullis, calycis dentibus deltoideis tubo equilongis, petalis albidis rubro tinctis lanceolatis calyce duplo superantibus, staminibus epipetalis abortivis, carpellis stellatim arcuato-patentibus petalis vix longioribus.— Crassula caspitosa, Cav. Ic. t. 69, fig. 2. C. Magnolii, D. C. Fl. Franc. v. 522.

All round the shores of the Mediterranean, from France east-ward to Asia Minor and the Crimea.

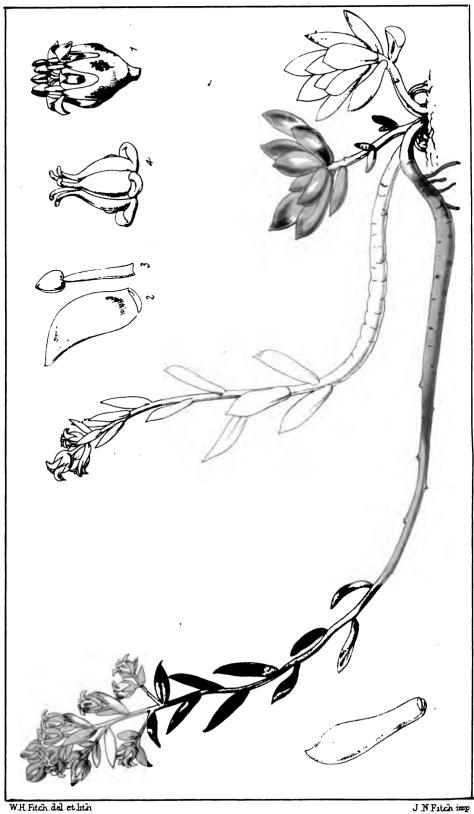
Annual, erect, an inch to three inches high; the stem usually furnished with a few short flexuose ascending branches; the whole plant glabrous, often, in exposure, tinged with red. Leaves close, oblong, obtuse, sessile, ascending, bluntly spurred, one-eighth of an inch long, rounded on both faces. Flowers few together in lax scorpioid cymes with bracts similar to the leaves and scarcely smaller. Pedicels none or very short. Calyx a line deep at the flowering time, the deltoid teeth equalling the tube. Petals lanceolate, twice as long as the calyx, white tinged with red. Inner row of stamens entirely absent, just as in S. rubens (Tab. 242). Carpels spreading like a star when mature, scarcely exceeding the petals.

Tab. 295.—1, portion of stem with two leaves; 2, entire flower with bracts; 3, calvx and carpels: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A small annual species of *Sedum*, quite hardy, and of no other than botanical interest. If allowed to sow itself on the rockwork it is very liable to be lost, and it is therefore best grown in shallow pots, well drained and placed in an airy sunny situation. I obtained seeds of this plant, which came from Corsica, from my friend Daniel Hanbury, Esq., F.R.S.—W. W. S.







TAB. 296.

Natural Order CRASSULACEE. Genus SEDUM, Linn. Section PLANIFOLIA.

S. ADENOTRICHUM (Wall. Cat. No. 7281). Herba carnosa perennis glanduloso-pubescens vel glabra foliis oblanceolatis acutis applanatis mediocribus ramorum sterilium rosulatis, ramorum fertilium sparsis, floribus 12—20 corymbosis vel thyrsoideopaniculatis pedicellatis, calycis dentibus lanceolatis tubo superantibus, petalis lanceolatis calyce superantibus flore expanso falcatis, staminibus 10 petalis brevioribus, carpellis diutine conniventibus, squamulis hypogynis parvis rotundis.—Hook. fil. et Thoms. Linn. Trans. ii. 101.

A native of the temperate region of the Eastern Himalayas.

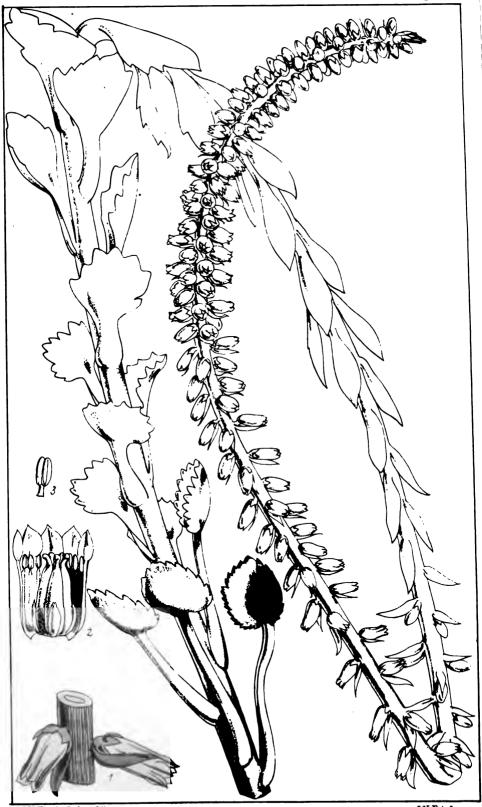
A wide-spreading fleshy perennial herb, usually more or less downy, but the specimens drawn nearly glabrous. Barren shoots short, suberect, with about a dozen leaves in a terminal rosette like that of an Echeveria. Leaves oblanceolate, one-eighth of an inch thick, flattened on both faces, eight to ten lines long, wute, dull green mottled with red. Flowering shoots ascending from a decumbent base, scattered, ascending, with leaves similar to those of the rosettes in size, but narrower in proportion to the length. Flowers twelve to twenty, corymbose or thyrsoideo-paniculate, pedicellate, the branches bracteated by reduced leaves. Calux turbinate, one-eighth of an inch deep, the lanceolate teeth exceeding the tube. Corolla two lines deep, vellowish white, tinged on the outside with red; petals lanceolate, falcately recurved when fully expanded. Stamens ten, shorter than the petals. Carpels white, permanently connivent. Hypogynous scales minute, ear-shaped.

Tab. 296. — 1, single flower; 2, a petal; a stamen; 4, pistils and hypogynous scales: all magnified.—J. G. B.

An interesting Sedum, native of the Eastern Himalayas, of rather straggling habit. It requires the temperature of a cool greenhouse, and should have plenty of air and light. My plants were originally obtained from the Oxford Botanic Garden, to which establishment I am indebted for this and many other plants of great interest.—W. W. S.







Cotyledon horizontinalis, Gussone

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TAR. 297.

Natural Order CRASSULACE.E. Genus Cotyledon, Linn. Section Umbilicus, D.C.

C. HOBIZONTINALIS (Gussone, Ind. Sem. Hort. Pan. 1826, p. 4). Foliis inferioribus petiolatis rotundatis cordatis crenatis supremis lanceolatis acutis integris sessilibus, floribus dense spicatis horizontalibus vel leviter deflexis, bracteis linearibus, calycis lobis brevibus deltoideis, corollæ tubo cylindrico segmentis deltoideis 8—4-plo superante, filamentis brevibus in tubo alte insertis, carpellis tubo æquilongis, squamulis hypogynis lanceolatis emarginatis.—Umbilicus horizontalis, D. C. Prodr. iii. 400.

A native of walls and rocks in the South of Europe, from Spain eastward to Greece.

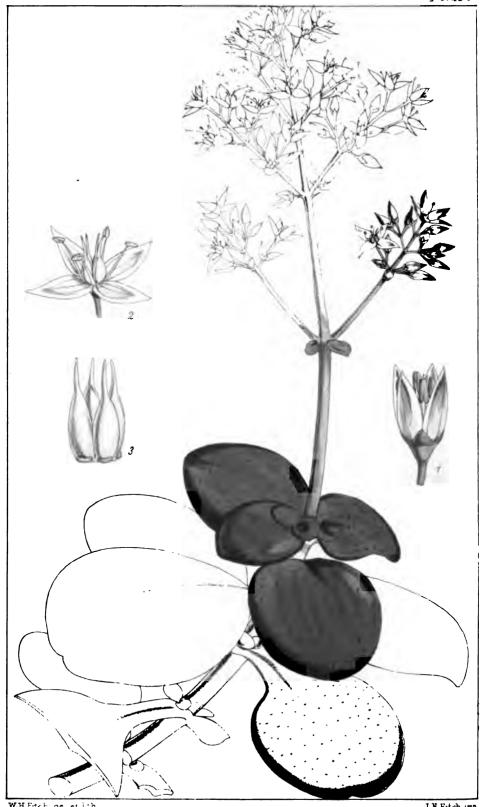
Perennial, the whole plant glabrous. Stems about a foot long, closely leafy throughout, bright red in exposure. Leaves thick, fleshy, pale green, not at all glaucous; the lowest rotundato-cordate, conspicuously crenate, on erecto-patent petioles exceeding the blade; the uppermost lanceolate, sessile, acute, entire, with every intermediate gradation. Flowers very numerous (often 100 or more), in a dense spike reaching a foot in length, five-eighths to three-fourths of an inch in thickness, the upper ones horizontal, the lower rather deflexed. Bracts fleshy, green, linear, one-fourth to half an inch long. Calyx very short, its teeth deltoid. Corolla four lines long, tubular, greenish yellow tinged with red, the deltoid teeth one-third to one-fourth as long as the tube. Filaments short, inserted high up in the tube. Carpels as long as the tube. Hypogynous scales lanceolate, emarginate.

Tab. 297.—1, pair of flowers; 2, corolla cut open; 3, an anther: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This fine species of Cotyledon, known in collections as Umbilicus horizontalis, I received from Mons. Van Houtte, of Ghent. It seems to grow freely in any light soil; and although it is treated at Hillfield as a cool-frame plant, it would probably stand the cold of our winters well without protection.—W. W. S.







Transula quadrifida, Baker.

TAB. 298.

Natural Order CRASSULACEÆ. Genus CRASSULA, Linn.

C. QUADRIFIDA (Baker). Glabra robusta perennis carnosa pedalissesquipedalis, foliis oppositis decussatis horizontalibus crassissimis utrinque viridibus conspicue punctatis plerisque petiolatis oblongo-spathulatis supremis rotundatis subsessilibus,
floribus quadrifidis thyrsoideo-paniculatis, petalis lanceolatis
albis rubello tinctis flore expanso stellatis, calyce 5—6-plo
longioribus, carpellis et filamentis albis petalis paulo brevioribus.

A native of the Cape of Good Hope.

Glabrous, perennial, a foot and a half to two feet high, very fleshy. Leaves opposite, decussate, horizontal, the lower ones oblong-spathulate, two to three inches long, entire, often emarginate at the point, narrowed suddenly into a flattened petiole, the upper surface apple-green, not at all glaucous, scattered over with numerous conspicuous pitted pustular dots, the lower surface paler; the uppermost leaves roundish, subsessile, placed some distance from the panicle. Flowers 100 or more in a moderately close thyrsoid panicle with erecto-patent branches. Pedicels one to three lines long, with a pair of minute lanceolate bracts at the base. Calyx very minute, with four deltoid lobes. Corolla tetramerous, star-like when expanded, four and a half to five lines across; the petals lanceolate, white, tinged with red on the outside. Stamens and carpels four each, equal, rather shorter than the petals.

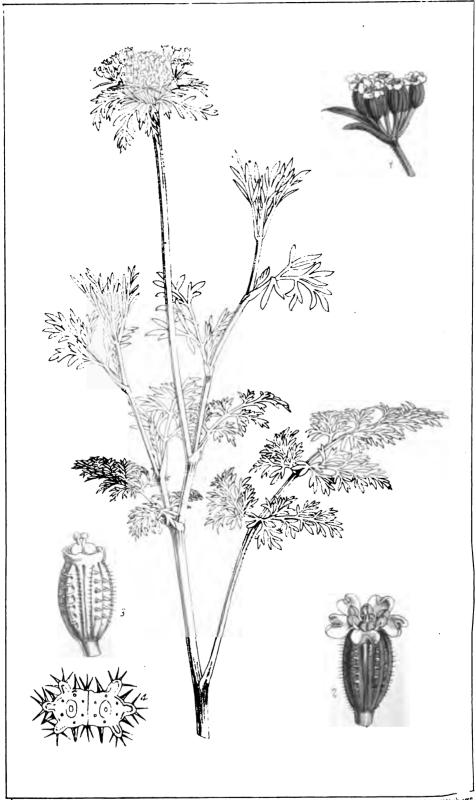
This is a plant quite exceptional in the genus *Crassula* by its constantly tetramerous flowers. Of the quinquefid species, it has the leaves and general habit of *C. cordata*, Aiton, Hort. Kew, iii. 196, but differs in the inflorescence.

Tab. 298.—1, a closed flower; 2, an opened flower; 8, pistils: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This pretty new Crassula, much resembling an allied species, cordata, I obtained from my friend the Rev. H. N. Ellacombe, of Bitton, so well known for his fine collection of hardy herbaceous and other plants. The plant is of easy culture, flowers freely, and continues for a long time in blossom, making it very useful for conservatory or greenhouse decoration.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 299.

Natural Order Umbelliferæ. Tribe Daucineæ. Genus Daucus. Linn.

D. MONTANUS (Willd. in Schultes Syst. Vey. vi. 482). Annua vel biennis, pedalis vel ultra, copiose ramosa caulibus retrorsum hispidis, foliis petiolatis decompositis segmentis ultimis perparvis linearibus vel subspathulatis acutis, umbellis 9—12 longe inæqualiter pedunculatis foliis multis reductis 2—3-pinnatifidis bracteatis, umbellulis 9—12-floris pedicellatis bracteolis multis sæpissime simplicibus linearibus, fructibus oblongis lateraliter subcompressis oblongis jugis primariis dense muricatis setis uncinatis.—D. toriloides, D. C. Prodr. iv. 214.

Stretches from Mexico southward along the Andes to Chili and Patagonia.

An annual or biennial herb, reaching a foot or more in height, copiously branched at the crown of the root: the stems rather thickly clothed with deflexed gray bristles. Petioles an inch to three inches long, dilated gradually to a clasping base. Leaves decompound (four to five times pinnatifid), with opposite stalked ascending pinnæ, and linear or subspathulate acute ultimate seaments half a line to a line and a half long; herbaceous in texture, green on both sides, slightly pubescent, the lowest three to four inches long. Umbels up to a dozen, on long nearly equal peduncles bracteated by a whorl of two to three times pinnatifid reduced leaves. Umbellules eight- to twelve-flowered, with a whorl of simple linear casually compound bracteoles. Pedicels unequal, two to six lines long. Petals subequal, very minute, much incurved at the tip. Fruit oblong, one-eighth of an inch long, slightly compressed from the side, the primary ridges copiously muricated with hooked prickles as long as the thickness of the mericarp.

Tab. 299.—1, an umbel; 2, a single flower; 3, fruit; 4, horizontal section of fruit: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A small annual species of carrot, interesting only to the botanist. I raised it from seeds sent me by Mr. C. Reed, who collected them at Mendoza, Chili. The plant requires only the open air, where its seeds ripen freely.—W. W. S.



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TAB. 300.

Natural Order Apocynaceæ. Tribe Carisseæ. Genus Carissa, Linn.

C. Grandiflora (A. D. C. Prodr. viii. 335). Arbuscula erecta glabra copiose dichotomiter ramosa spinis duris dichotomiter furcatis magnis armata, foliis breviter petiolatis oblongo-rotundatis obtusis mucronatis integerrimis rigide coriaceis, utrinque viridibus, floribus terminalibus solitariis vel parce corymbosis breviter pedicellatis, calycis lobis lanceolatis tubo longioribus, corollæ tubo calyce duplo superante, limbi lobis horizontaliter patulis latis obtusis, baccis ovoideis violaceis.—Arduina grandiflora, E. Meyer, Comm. p. 190.

A native of Natal, gathered by Drege, Gerrard, and others.

A dichotomously-branched erect low shrub, glabrous in all its parts, copiously armed with curious large dichotomously forked sharp woody spines. Leaves shortly petiolate, roundish or broad-oblong, quite entire, rigidly coriaceous, an inch and a half to two inches long, bluntish with a minute mucro, broadly rounded or even slightly cordate at the base, green on both sides, all the lateral veins immersed. Flowers fragrant, pure white, solitary or in sparse corymbs on very short pedicels. Calyx one-fourth of an inch deep, the lanceolate lobes exceeding the tube. Corolla-tube greenish, twice as long as the calyx; limb spreading horizontally when the flower is fully expanded, fifteen to eighteen lines across; the lobes oblique, broad-oblong, blunt. Fruit an ovoid violet-coloured many-seeded berry.

Tab. 300.—1, flower viewed from below; 2, flower viewed laterally; 3, corolla opened out; 4, pistil: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A dwarf somewhat showy shrub, reared from seed sent from Natal by Mr. Thos. Cooper. Like most plants from the same locality, it requires a warm dry greenhouse in winter, but will bear the open air well in summer. The plant thrives when grown in a mixture of loam and peat.—W. W. S.







Lavandula, lanata, Boiss

TAB. 301.

Natural Order LABIATE.
Tribe Ocimoides.
Genus Lavandula, Linn.
Section Spica, Benth.

L. LANATA (Boiss. Voy. Esp. t. 185). Suffruticosa dense ramosa foliis oblanceolatis subspathulatis obtusis integerrimis margine revolutis utrinque dense persistenter albido-incanis, pedunculis elongatis strictis sæpissime simplicibus foliis 2 reductis prope medium instructis, verticillastris densis vel sublaxis, bracteis linearibus ascendentibus infimis calyce æquilongis, calycibus tubulosis pubescentibus dente supremo producto, corollæ tubo puberulo dentibus rotundatis, genitalibus inclusis. — Benth. in D. C. Prodr. xii. 146.

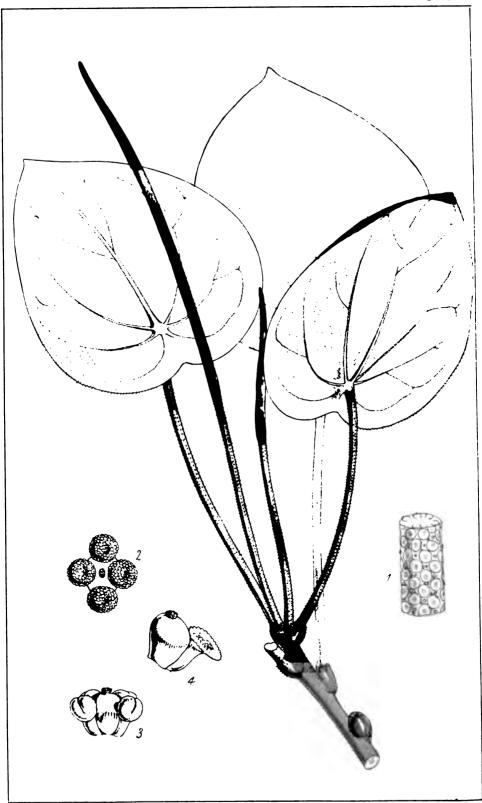
A native of the cool region of the Sierra Nevada, at an elevation of 4000 to 6500 feet above the sea-level.

An undershrub, a foot and a half to two feet high, with exactly the general habit of the common garden lavender (L. Spica). Leaves closely placed on the barren stems and base of the flowering ones, ascending, oblanceolate, slightly spathulate, fifteen to twenty-one lines long, bluntish, entire, the edges slightly revolute, the texture thick and soft, both sides permanently matted with dense short whitish cottony tomentum. Peduncle a foot or more high, with a pair of reduced leaves about the middle. Whorls close or the lower remote, forming a spike three to four inches long, with six to twelve flowers in each. Bracts linear, ascending, two to four lines long. Calyx one-fourth of an inch long, soft and woolly, membranous, with eight dark ribs, the upper tooth produced beyond the others. Corolla bright violet, the tube puberulent, four lines long, distinctly ribbed, all the five teeth short and rounded. Stamens and style included.

Tab. 301.—1, flower viewed from below; 2, flower viewed laterally; 8, corolla opened out; 4, pistil: all magnified.—J. G. B.

I procured this pretty species of Lavender from Mr. R. Stark, of Edinburgh. Its white woolly leaves and compact habit of growth render it a very desirable plant for the cool greenhouse. It grows freely in the open air during the summer months, and may probably prove hardy. Its fragrance is much the same as the common Lavender, from which it seems chiefly to differ in the thick wool-like coating of the leaves.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 302.

Natural Order PIPERACE. Genus PEPEROMIA, R. & P.

P. PUBERULA (Baker). Breviter caulescens suberecta minute puberula foliis longe petiolatis paulo supra basin peltatis late ovatis acutis basi leviter cordatis carnosis modice crassis supra obscure viridibus subtus pallidis nervis 7 ex apice petioli radiantibus prope marginem evanescentibus, spicis gracillimis simplicibus longe pedunculatis, floribus confertis, bracteis peltatis, ovariis obovoideis sessilibus stigmate parvo sessili subcentrali capitellatis.

Imported from Vera Paz with Orchids.

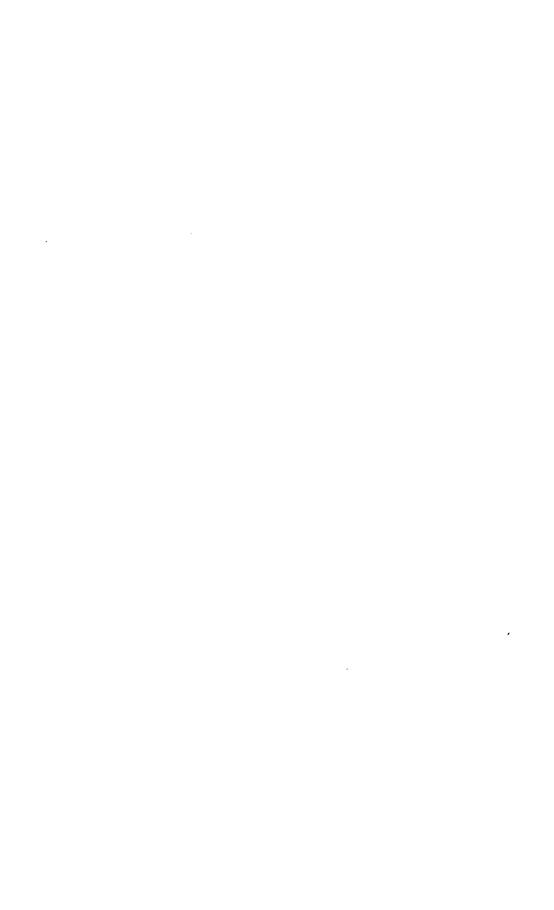
Shortly caulescent, suberect, the whole plant rather densely puberulent. Petioles ascending, two to three inches long, inserted a little above the base of the leaf. Leaves broad-ovate, acute, slightly cordate-emarginate at the base, moderately fleshy, dull green on the upper surface, whitish and laxly cellular beneath; seven veins, three on each side of the midrib radiating from the insertion of the petiole, remaining distinct nearly to the edge. Peduncles erect, nearly as long as the petioles. Spike very slender, simple, reaching three to four inches long. Flowers minute, very tightly packed. Bract peltate, with a central pedicel nearly as long as the depth of the ovary. Ovary obovoid, sessile, with a subcentral capitellate sessile stigma.

Closely allied to the well-known P. arifolia and to P. Saundersii, C. D. C., and P. hydrocotyloides, Miquel, Linnæa, xx. t. 1, fig. 1, but a much less handsome species, easily distinguished from them by its pubescent leaves and stems.

Tab. 802.—1, portion of spike; 2, flower viewed from above; 3, pistil and four stamens; 4, pistil and peltate bract: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This undescribed species of *Peperomia* I obtained by mere chance, it springing up at the base of an Orchid I obtained of Mr. Hague, and sent from Vera Paz. It grows freely in a moderately warm but damp stove, and a light turfy soil, or moss and decaying vegetable matter combined, suits it well.—W. W. S.







Dorstenia Bowmanniana, Baker

TAB. 303.

Natural Order Morez. Genus Dorstenia, Plum.

D. Bowmanniana (Baker). Caulibus ascendentibus semipedalibus foliosis puberulis purpureo-viridibus, stipulis linearibus minutis, foliis distincte petiolatis lanceolatis acutis obscure dentatis subcoriaceis supra viridibus secus costam et venas primarias albo variegatis subtus scabris minute pubescentibus, pedunculis axillaribus brevibus deflexis purpureis, synanthiis parvis rotundis repandis puberulis convexis extus purpureis floribus centralibus multis fœmineis exterioribus masculis.

A native of the neighbourhood of Rio Janeiro, whence our specimens were sent by Mr. Bowman.

Stems half a foot high, ascending, leafy, purplish, minutely downy. Stipules linear, minute, persistent. Petioles one-half to three-fourths of an inch long, erecto-patent. Leaves lanceolate, three to five inches long, fifteen to eighteen lines broad, acute, obscurely toothed, rounded at the base, bright green and smooth above, variegated with a white border to the midrib and lower half of the principal veins; the under surface subscabrous with minute pubescence. Peduncles copious, axillary, deflexed, purplish, half to three-fourths of an inch long. Receptacle round, irregularly lobed, finely downy, half an inch broad, purple beneath, the face slightly convex; the outer rows of flowers male, the central ones female.

Allied to *D. argentata*, Hook. fil. Bot. Mag. t. 5795, from which it differs by its broader, shorter leaves, more coriaceous in texture; and receptacle destitute of the curious capitellate marginal processes of that species.

Tab. 303.—1, receptacle viewed from above; 2, vertical section of the same: both magnified,—J. G. B.

A new and very pretty species of a very interesting genus. The leaves are beautifully variegated with white on the upper side, the variegation following the midrib and principal veins. The late Mr. D. Bowman sent me the plant from the neighbourhood of Rio Janeiro. It thrives with a moist stove treatment, producing freely its curious heads of flowers.—W. W. S.







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TAB, 304.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ.

- Genus Nothoscordum (Kunth Enum. iv. 457). Perianthium albidum segmentis æqualibus oblanceolato-spathulatis ima basi solum connatis, flore expanso falcato-patentibus. Stamina 6 perigyna filamentis æqualibus leviter applanatis segmentis brevioribus antheris oblongis versatilibus. Ovarium sessile oblongum trisulcatum, ovulis in loculo 6—12; stylus terminalis rectus filiformis; stigma capitatum. Capsula sessilis membranacea loculicide trivalvis, seminibus paucis triquetris, testa nigra. Herbæ bulbosæ scapigeræ foliis angustissimis carnosis floribus umbellatis odore nullo modo alliaceo.—Hesperodes et Oligosma, Salisb. Gen. p. 85.
- N. STRIATUM (Kunth Enum. iv. 459). Foliis 8—4 synanthiis angustissime linearibus carnoso-herbaceis dorso convexis, scapis foliis paulo brevioribus, spathæ valvis lanceolatis pedicellis 2—8-plo brevioribus, umbellis 4—8-floris, perianthii segmentis oblanceolatis albis dorso purpureo-viridi vittatis, filamentis leviter applanatis segmentis distincte brevioribus, ovarii loculis 5—6-ovulatis, stylo ovario longiore.—Allium striatum, Jacq. Ic. t. 866; Redouté, Lil. t. 50. Ornithogalum bivalve, Linn. Sp. Plant. p. 806.

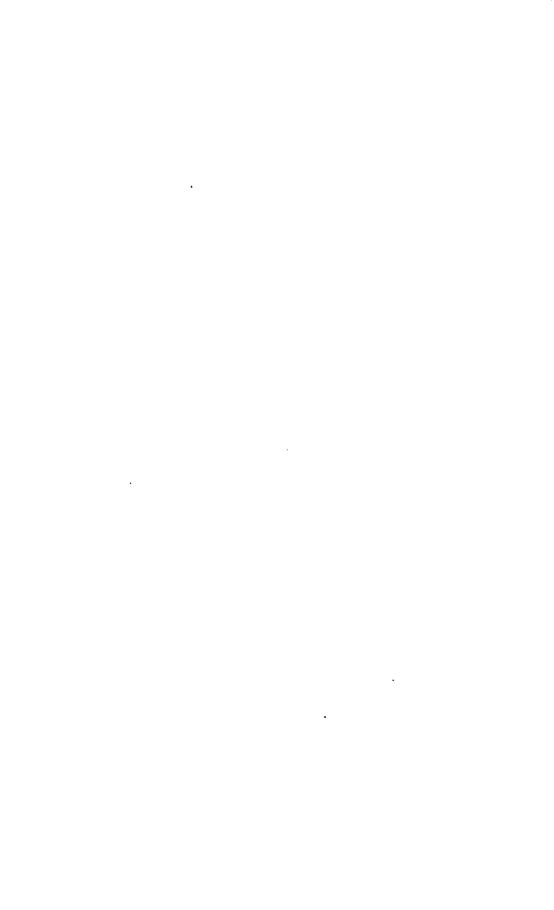
Widely dispersed in tropical and subtemperate America, and intoduced thence to other regions.

Bulb ovoid, half an inch thick. Leaves three or four to a bulb, cotemporary with the leaves, subcrect, fleshy in texture, light green, convex on the back, six to nine inches long, a line and a half to two lines broad. Scape slightly compressed, nearly as long as the leaves. Valves of the spathe two, membranous, one-quarter to half an inch long. Flowers four to eight to an umbel. Pedicels about an inch long. Perianth six to eight lines deep, the pure white segments oblanceolate-spathulate, subacute, with a purplish green keel on the outside, united at the base in a cup one-half to three-fourths of a line deep. Filaments slightly flattened, a quarter of an inch long. Ovary oblong; ovules five or six in each cell; style filiform, two to two and a half lines long.

Tab. 804.—1, half a flower; 2, stamen; 8, pistil; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This is another of Mr. Thos. Cooper's plants, collected in South Africa. It is a small, free-flowering, but not showy bulb, easy of cultivation in a cool pit or frame, grown in light sandy soil.—W. W. S.





TAB. 305.

Natural Order LILIACEE.
Tribe SCILLEE.
Genus SCILLA, Linn.
Sub-genus Euscilla, Baker.

S. Versicolor (Baker). Foliis 6—8 synanthiis lineari-loratis pedem longitudine vix attingentibus carnoso-herbaceis utrinque viridibus venis immersis, scapis foliis subæquantibus, racemis conicis modice densis 50—80-floris, pedicellis inferioribus patulis 1½—2 poll. longis bracteis solitariis linearibus 6—8-plo superantibus, floribus mediocribus albidis extrorsum viridi tinctis, filamentis filiformibus segmentis distincte brevioribus, antheris cæruleis, ovarii cærulei loculis 5—6 ovulatis, stylo filiformi ovario æquilongo.

A native of Cape Colony, gathered by Mr. Cooper.

Bulb roundish, immersed. Leaves six to eight to a bulb, cotemporary with the flowers, subcrect, linear-lorate, six to nine inches long at the flowering time, four to six lines broad at the middle, narrowed gradually to the point, green on both sides, fleshy in texture, the veins not prominent. Scape green, terete, nearly as long as the leaves. Raceme conical, moderately close, fifty- to eighty-flowered, half a foot long when expanded, three and a half to four inches broad, the axis incrassated and irregularly furrowed. Bracts linear, solitary, a quarter of an inch long. Pedicels finally patent, the lower ones an inch and a half to two inches long. Perianth scarcely a quarter of an inch deep, white tinged externally with green, broadly funnel-shaped when expanded. Filaments filiform, distinctly shorter than the segments; anthers blue before the pollen is shed. Ovary bright blue, deeply grooved, its cells with five or six ovules in each. Style filiform.

Allied to S. pallidiflora (tabula nostra 179), and to S. natalensis of Planchon.

Tab. 805.—1, a single flower; 2, pistil; 3, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

Another of the numerous species of Scilla, from South Africa, formerly placed in the genus Drimia. The leaves have few, if any, markings on the under side. It requires the same treatment as other Scillas, from the same country, previously figured in the Refugium.—W. W. S.



TAB. 306.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEM. Genus Agave, Linn.

A. Verschaffeltii (Lemaire, Ill. Hort. t. 564). Acaulis foliis rigidis crassissimis 80—40 dense rosulatis oblanceolato-spathulatis pedem longis supra medium 8½—4 poll. latis glauco-viridibus facie planiusculis apice spina valida rubro-brunnea facie canaliculata margine spinis multis ascendentibus corneis armatis, scapo (paniculà inclusa) 12—14-pedali, floribus thyrsoideis ad apicem ramorum horizontalium confertis breviter pedicellatis, perianthii infundibuliformis 2½—2½ pollicaris segmentis lanceolatis diutine ascendentibus flavo-viridibus tubo longioribus, staminibus cum stylo longe exsertis.—Jacobi, Hamb. Gartenzeit. 1865, p. 122.

A native of Mexico.

Acaulescent. Leuves thirty to forty in a dense rosette, oblanceolate-spathulate, about a foot long, three and a half to four inches broad two-thirds of the way up, narrowed to two and a quarter to two and a half inches above the dilated base, amongst the thickest and most rigid in texture of the plants of the genus. pale glaucous-green, nearly flat on the face, rounded on the back, armed at the subobtuse point with a strong pungent reddish brown spine nearly an inch long, the upper prickles of the margin deltoid-falcate, two to three lines long, those of the lower half of the leaf much smaller. Scape, including the panicle, twelve to fourteen feet high. Panicle lax, thyrsoid, the flowers in dense clusters at the end of the spreading flexuose branches. Perianth narrowly funnel-shaped, shortly pedicellate, two and a quarter to two and a half inches deep, the permanently ascending lanceolate vellowish green divisions exceeding the tube. Anthers an inch long, quite exserted.

Closely allied to A. Scolymus, amæna, and Saundersii.

Tab. 806.—1, the whole plant, much reduced. 2, leaf; 8, fascicle of flowers: both natural size. 4, horizontal section of ovary, magnified.—J. G. B.

This is a noble species of the genus Agave, which runs into many varieties, some of which at present rank as species, but,

when flowered and better understood. I feel convinced they will prove to be mere variations of A. Verschaffeltii. The number of so-called species of Agave in cultivation is now great: and as they are beginning to be favourites with plant-growers, there will probably be means of determining, within a few years, what are their real characters, and so arriving at a correct nomenclature of the species, now so much wanted. The plant from which the figure is taken I obtained, many years since, of the Messrs, Lea. of Hammersmith. After flowering the leaves of the plant withered considerably, but still retained a green colour, and I looked for some signs of returning vitality, either as a shoot from the stem or in the way of a sucker. This dormant state went on for nearly two years, when I determined to try an I divided the plant into several pieces, keeping experiment. a portion of the stem attached to several of the larger and most green-looking leaves. These were allowed to dry for some time in a cool place, and then a gentle heat was applied to them. Several began to show in a short time green buds on the portion of the stem to which the leaf was left attached; and I have now plants of this species obtained by this method of treatment. A cool greenhouse temperature seems to suit the generality of Agaves. They like a light, rich, loamy soil, plenty of fresh air, and when growing they should be liberally supplied with water.— W. W. S.

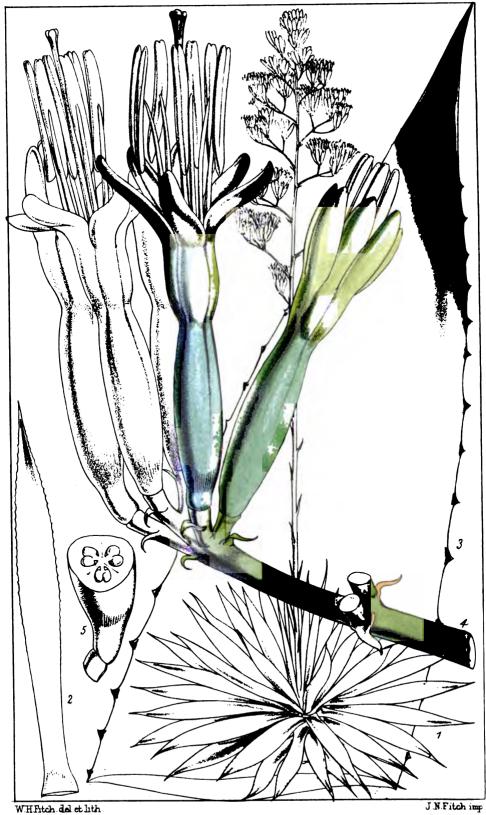




Ağave Verschaffeltii, *Lunaure*







Agave lurida, Ait

TAB. 307.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE. Genus Agave, Linn.

A. LURIDA (Ait. Hort. Kew, i. 472). Breviter caulescens, foliis 80—40 dense rosulatis ensiformi-spathulatis 2—2½ pedes longis medio 8—8½ poll. latis firmis modice crassis glauco-viridibus facie planiusculis in apicem spinosam pungentem canaliculatam sensim angustatis margine dentibus corneis rufo-brunneis parvis deltoideis patentibus armatis, scapo (panicula inclusa) 12—15-pedali, floribus thyrsoideis ad apicem ramorum erectopatentium confertis breviter pedicellatis, perianthii anguste infundibuliformis 8½—4-pollicaris segmentis lanceolatis flavoviridibus tubo triplo brevioribus, staminibus cum stylo longe exsertis.—Bot. Mag. t. 1522; Kunth Enum. v. 825; Jacobi, Hamb. Gartenzeit. 1865, 169.

A native of Mexico.

Shortly caulescent or subsessile. Leaves thirty to forty in a dense rosette, ensiform-spathulate, two to two and a half feet long, three to three and a half inches broad at the middle, narrowed to two to two and a half inches above the dilated base, firm in texture, moderately thick, scarcely curving, the face nearly flat, both sides glaucous-green, narrowed gradually into a point tipped by a pungent channelled red-brown spine, the prickles of the margin small, deltoid, subpatent, a quarter to half an inch apart. Scape, including the panicle, twelve to fifteen feet high, its lower bracteiform leaves reaching a foot long. Panicle a foot and a half broad, with several rather close erectopatent branches bearing the flowers in dense ascending terminal clusters. Perianth three and a half to four inches deep, narrowly funnel-shaped, the cylindrical ovary half its length, the lanceolate permanently ascending yellowish green divisions about an inch long. Anthers about an inch long, quite exserted.

Tab. 807.—1, the whole plant; 2, a single leaf: both much reduced. 3, upper half of leaf; 4, fascicle of flowers: both natural size. 5, horizontal section of ovary, magnified.—J. G. B.

Another species of Agave—an old inhabitant of our green-houses—which has recently flowered at Hillfield. Under this

name an Agave was figured in the 'Botanical Magazine' (pl. 1522), which appears to be the same as my plant, although the filaments are very much more exserted, and the shape and colour of the corolla and anthers are different, and the apex of the leaves much more attenuated. Under these circumstances I thought it desirable to give a figure of my plant, and particularly point out its habit of growth when in flower. This plant is probably of Mexican origin. For treatment see Tab. 806.—W. W. S.





Stenomesson Pearcei Baker.

TAR. 308.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE. Tribe PANCRATIEE.

- Genus Stenomesson (Herb. App. 40). Perianthium infundibuliforme tubo infundibuliformi supra ovarium longe producto curvato segmentis oblongis vel oblongo-lanceolatis subæqualibus tubo 2—4-plo brevioribus. Corona prope faucem tubi inserta inter filamentis varie dentata vel truncata. Ovarium 8-loculare, ovulis in loculo multis biseriatis; stylus filiformis subrectus vel cum tubo sæpe curvatus, sæpe demum exsertus; stigma punctiforme. Stamina 6 filamentis filiformibus ex ore coronæ egredientibus inclusis vel leviter exsertis, antheris oblongis versatilibus. Capsula oblongo-triquetra loculicide trivalvis; seminibus multis oblongis subcompressis; testa nigra. Herbæ bulbosæ scaposæ Andinæ foliis synanthiis linearibus vel lorato-lanceolatis floribus umbellatis. Chrysiphiala, Ker, et Endl. Coburgia, Sweet et Endlich.
- S. Prarcei (Baker). Foliis synanthiis lorato-lanceolatis sesquipedalibus longis 14—15 lin. latis e medio ad apicem acutum et petiolum brevem sensim angustatis margine leviter revolutis, scapo 24—8-pedali, umbellis 6—8-floris, bracteis multis insequalibus, pedicellis elongatis, perianthii pallide flavi segmentis oblongis acutis tubo sequilongis, corona inter filamentos dentibus bifidis instructa, staminibus cum stylo vix vel haud exsertis.

A native of the Andes of Bolivia, gathered and distributed by Lobb (230), and recently by Mandon (No. 1198), introduced into England in a living state by the late Mr. Pearce.

Bulb ovoid, two inches thick, three to four inches deep, coated up to the neck by copious bright brown membranous tunics. Leaves cotemporary with the flowers, lorate-lanceolate, a foot and a half long, fourteen to fifteen lines broad at the middle, narrowed gradually upwards to an acute point, and downwards into a flattened petiole two to three inches long, not very fleshy in texture, glabrous, the edge rather revolute, the upper side bright green, the lower paler, laxly cellular. Scape two and and a half to three feet high, firm, slightly compressed, subglaucous. Flowers six to eight in an umbel. Bracts several, membranous, linear and lanceolate, an inch and a half to two

inches long. Pedicels slender, erecto-patent, two to four inches long. Perianth cernuous, funnel-shaped; the green, obtusely-angled ovary one-fourth of an inch deep; the tube and limb together fifteen to eighteen lines long; the erecto-patent oblong acute divisions primrose-yellow, tinged externally with green. Crown with a distinct bifid tooth between each of the filiform filaments. Stamens as long as the perianth. Style sometimes slightly exserted.

After an examination of all the material at our command, it seems to us quite clear that there is no character by which Coburgia can be distinguished as a genus from Stenomesson, and equally clear that the species have been multiplied unduly; and that the best character for classifying them in groups is that furnished by the presence or absence, and by the nature, of the teeth of the corona. The following is an attempt at an enumeration and classification of all the known species that come under the genus as above described.

Group 1.—Corona with distinct bifid teeth between the filiform filaments.

- S. INCARNATUM, Baker = Pancratium incarnatum, H. B. K. Nov. Gen. i. 280. Coburgia incarnata, Sweet, Brit. Flow. Gard. ser. ii. t. 17; Kunth Enum. v. 646; of which C. splendens, trichoma, rariegata, chacopoyensis, versicolor, fulva and læta of Herbert and Kunth, are apparently only, in a broad sense, varieties, differing principally in the colour of the flower.
- 2. S. Acutum, Baker = Coburgia acuta, Herbert, Kunth Enum. iv. 647.
- 3. S. OBRAGILLENSIS, Baker = Coburgia obragillensis of Herbert and Kunth, of which S. angusta of Herbert and Kunth is only a variety.
- 4. S. CURVIDENTATUM, Herbert, Bot. Mag. t. 2640; Kunth Enum. v. 640.
- 5. S. PAUCIFLORUM, Herbert, Kunth Enum. v. 641 = Chrysiphiala pauciflora, Lindley in Hooker's Exotic Flora, t. 132.
- 6. S. Pearcei, Baker. Vide supra.
- 7. S. COCCINEUM, Herb. App. 40, Tab. nostr. 309.
- 8. S. BREVIFLORUM, Herb. Kunth Enum. v. 643.

GROUP 2.—Corons with a distinct simple tooth between each of the filaments.

- 9. S. LATIFOLIUM, Herb. Bot. Mag. t. 3803; Kunth Enum. v. 641.
- S. VITELLINUM, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1843, t. 2; Kunth Enum. v. 642.

- 11. S. RECURVATUM, Baker = Chrysiphiala recurvata, Lindl. Coburgia recurvata, Herbert et Kunth.
- GROUP 3.—Corona truncate between the filaments, but not distinctly toothed.
- S. CROCEUM, Herb. = Pancratium croceum, Savigny in Lam. Encyc. iv. 735; Red. Lil. t. 187. S. flavum, Herb. Bot. Mag. t. 2641. Chrysiphiala flava, Gawl. Bot. Reg. t. 778.
- S. LUTEUM, Baker = Coburgia lutea, Herb. Kunth Enum.
 v. 651. Clinanthus luteus, Herb. App. 40. Chlidanthus luteus, Dietr., of which Coburgia Macleanica, Herb. and Kunth, is probably a variety.
- GROUP 4.—Corona with no space or teeth between the filaments, which are a little dilated towards the base.
 - 14. S. AURANTIACUM, Herb. Kunth Enum. iv. 639 = Pancratium aurantiacum, H. B. K. Nov. Gen. i. 286. Chrysiphiala aurantiaca, Schultes Syst. vii. 904. S. Hartwegii, Lindley Bot. Reg. 1844, t. 42; Kunth Enum. v. 642.
 - 15. S. SUSPENSUM, Baker, tab. nostra, 22.
 - S. HUMILIS, Baker = Coburgia humilis, Herb. Bot. Reg. 1842, t. 46.

Imperfectly-known Species.

- S. RUIZIANUM, Kunth = Pancratium flavum, Ruiz. & Pavon. t. 284, fig. A.
- 18. S. DISCOLOR, Baker = Coburgia discolor, Herbert, Kunth Enum. iv. 651.
- 19. S. EUSTEPHIOIDES, Herb. Kunth Enum. v. 643.
- Tab. 808.—1, flower with segments cut away; 2, stamen; 8, pistil; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A remarkable species of Stenomesson, obtained by Mr. Pearce from the Andes of Bolivia, and sent in a living state to the well-known and energetic firm, Messrs. Veitch, of the King's Road, Chelsea. The canary-coloured flowers, with green linear markings on the outer side of the segments of the corolla, give the plant a very peculiar appearance. The figure was drawn from a specimen which flowered in Messrs. Veitch's establishment. It requires the same treatment as recommended for Stenomesson coccineum (see Tab. 309).—W. W. S.











Stenomesson coccineum, Hubert

TAB. 309.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE. Tribe PANCRATIEE. Genus Stenomesson, Herbert.

S. COCCINEUM (Herbert, App. 40). Foliis subsynanthiis linearibus pedalibus vel ultra 4—6 lin. latis modice crassis utrinque viridibus, scapis teretibus foliis subsequilongis, umbellis 4—8-floris, bracteis multis linearibus et lanceolatis, pedicellis erectis 1—1\frac{1}{2}-uncialibus, perianthii coccinei segmentis oblongo-lanceolatis acutis tubo cernuo infundibuliformi cite constricto duplo brevioribus, coron\hat{a} inter filamentos dentibus bifidis instructa, staminibus inclusis, stylo demum leviter exserto.—

Coburgia coccinea, Herbert, Bot. Mag. t. 8865. C. pracipitata, Herb. Bot. Reg. 1842, misc. p. 54; Kunth, Enum. v. 649. Pancratium coccineum, Ruiz et Pavon, Fl. Peruv. iii. p. 54, t. 285, fig. 5.

A native of the Peruvian Andes. Our plant sent to Europe by Mr. Farris.

Bulb ovoid, an inch and a half thick, clothed up to the neck with brown membranous coats. Leaves four or five, not fully developed till after the flowers fade, a foot or more long, three-eighths to half an inch broad, moderately fleshy in texture, concave down the face, bright green on both sides. Scape a foot or more long, firm, terete, slightly glaucous. Bracts several, membranous, linear and lanceolate. Flowers four to eight in an umbel. Pedicels erect, an inch to an inch and a half long. Perianth an inch and a half long, including the ovary, bright crimson; the oblong-lanceolate divisions half as long as the abruptly drooping funnel-shaped tube, which is suddenly constricted two-thirds of the way down. Crown with a distinct bifid tooth between each of the filiform filaments. Stamens reaching the mouth of the flower. Style finally a little exserted.

As will be seen by the synonyms given, I have identified the plant figured by Herbert in the 'Botanical Magazine' as Coburgia coccinea with the Pancratium coccineum of the 'Flora Peruviana,' thus following his earlier in preference to his later opinion on the subject. Whether his imperfectly described Stenomesson breviforum be anything more than a broad-leaved variety of the

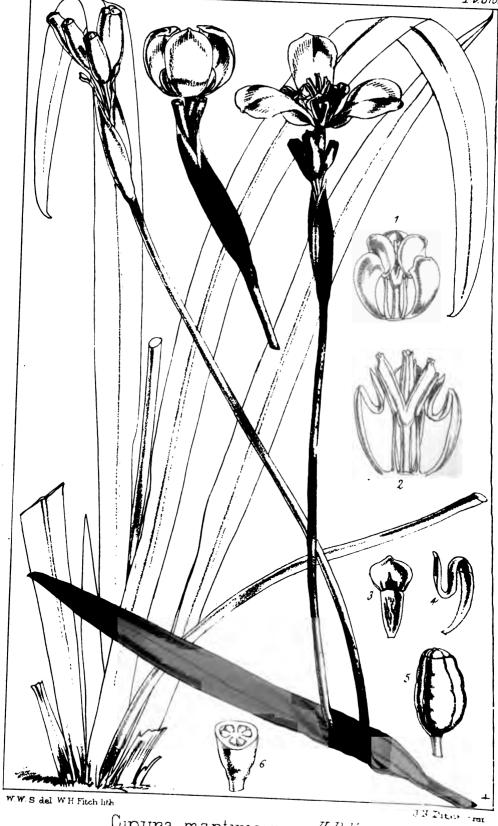
same species, I doubt very much, after examining the original specimens.

Tab. 809.—1, flower with segments cut away, magnified.—J. G. B.

This very free-flowering and ornamental species of Stenomesson was sent to me from Peru by Mr. Farris. It requires a cool greenhouse or pit, and should be potted in light sandy loam and peat. The figure of this plant under the name of Coburgia coccinea, Bot. Mag. 3865, not sufficiently expressing the character of the corolla or its colour, I have thought it desirable to refigure it in the Refugium.—W. W. S.







Cipura martinicensis H.B.K.

TAB. 310.

Natural Order IRIDACEÆ. Tribe IRIDEÆ. Genus CIPURA, Aublet.

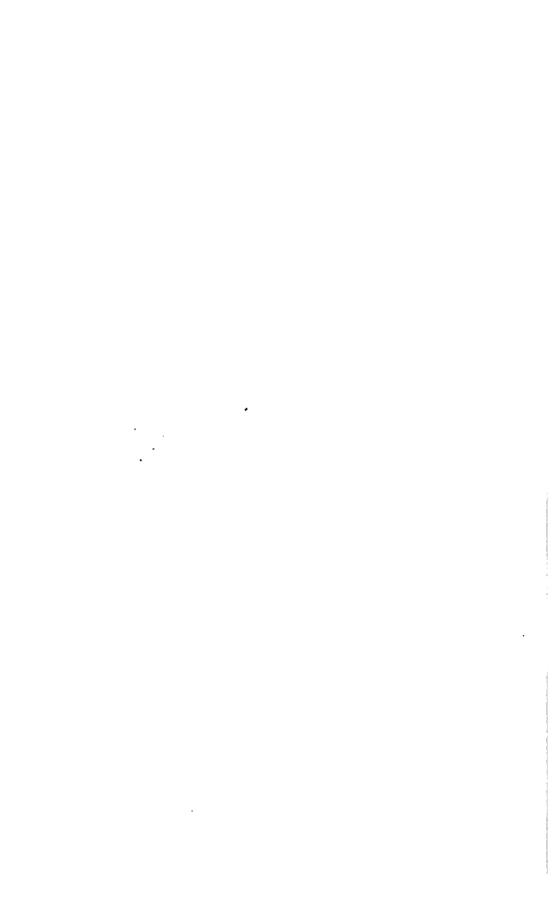
C. MARTINICENSIS (H. B. K. Nov. Gen. i. 320). Radice tuberoso vaginis exterioribus longe productis in fibros demum solutis, foliis circiter 6 radicalibus erectis subpedalibus anguste linearibus, caulibus flexuosis sæpissime simplicibus foliis radicalibus subæquilongis prope medium folio unico instructis, spathæ valvis duobus lanceolatis pedicellis 4—6 arcte vaginantibus, limbi flavi corollæ fugacis segmentis 3 exterioribus subpatulis obovato-oblongis, interioribus minoribus dimidio superiore abrupte persistenter incurvis, capsulis oblongo-clavatis obtuse angulatis. — Iris martinicensis, Linn. Sp. Plant. p. 58; Bot. Mag. t. 416.

A native of the West Indies and Central America.

Root a solid firm tuber, with copious fleshy rootlets, the produced persistent outer sheaths splitting up into fibres. Radical leaves about half-a-dozen, erect, narrow-linear, reaching a foot long, three to four lines broad, narrowed gradually to a point. firm-reedy in texture, a pale rather glaucous-green on both sides, the midrib raised beneath, the other veins immersed. Stem about equalling the leaves, flexuose, terete, with a single reduced clasping leaf placed about the middle. Valves of the spathe two, lanceolate, acutely keeled on the back, clasping tightly the slightly exserted pedicels. Flowers four to six in a cluster. Ovary green, cylindrical; corolla-limb very fugacious, bright yellow; three outer divisions subpatulous, obovate-oblong, blunt, with a small mucro, five-eighths to three-fourths of an inch long, mottled at the throat: three inner much smaller, the upper half persistently incurved against the petaloid stigma. Anthers basifixed on filiform filaments. Capsule oblong-clavate, nearly an inch long, obtusely angled, with a double row of numerous seeds in each of the three cells.

Tab. 810.—1, inner segment of perianth; 2, two stigmas; 3, 4, side and back views of inner segment of perianth; 5, fruit; 6, horizontal section of the same: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This plant is figured at fol. 416 of the 'Botanical Magazine,' under the name of *Iris martinicensis*, and the figure is good as far as it goes, but is wanting in dissections. I have therefore refigured the species, with a view to give those details and the character of the plant. With me the flowers are bright canary-yellow, with but little darkening at the base of the outer segments of the corolla. It flowers most freely in a moist stove, potted in turfy loam, well supplied with water. The flowers are of very short duration, opening early in the day, and closing soon after noon. Mr. Hahn sent me the plant from Martinica.—
W. IV. S.





Calathea vestita, Baker.

TAB. 311.

Natural Order MARANTACEÆ. Genus Calathea, G. F. Meyer.

C. VESTITA (Baker). Acaulis foliis longe petiolatis late lanceolatis glabris 12—15 poll. longis ad apicem acutum et basin cuneatam sensim angustatis supra viridibus subtus rubro-purpureis, pedunculis brevibus radicalibus pubescentibus, floribus in spicam oblongam congestis, bracteis deltoideis pubescentibus rubro-viridibus arcte imbricatis, floribus geminis, perianthii segmentis exterioribus parvis calycinis linearibus, interioribus flavidis lanceolatis dimidio inferiore in tubum cylindricum connatis, staminodiis 2 exterioribus obovato-navicularibus segmentis corollinis æquilongis, tertio interiore cucullato breviore.

Sent from Bahia by Mr. Reed.

Acaulescent. Petioles fifteen to eighteen inches long, glabrous. subterete, green mottled with purple. Leaf broad-lanceolate, twelve to fifteen inches long, three to four inches broad below the middle, narrowed gradually to an acute point and a cuneate base, moderately firm in texture, bright green above, a uniform bright reddish purple on the under surface, with numerous erecto-patent translucent veins. Flowers in dense oblong heads on stout hairy radical peduncles three to four inches long. Bracts closely imbricated, lanceolate-deltoid, purplish green, densely pubescent, each holding two flowers. Outer divisions linear, small, equal. Corolla pale yellow, with a long tube, its three divisions lanceolate, exserted from the bract when the flower is expanded. Staminodia three, the labellum and staminode opposite to it as long as the corolla-segments, broader than they are and quite like them in colour and texture; the inner staminode which holds the style cucullate and auricled on one side as in the other species. Anther-bearing filament connate with the style and one of the outer staminodes. Ovary three-celled.

Tab. 811.—1, pair of flowers with bract; 2, cucullate inner staminode, stigma and anther; 8, cucullate inner staminode, enclosing the style: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This ornamental plant should be grown in a moist stove, liberally supplied with water at the roots, and allowed plenty of pot-room. The soil should be loam with a little peat. I received the plant from Mr. C. Reed, who obtained it in the neighbourhood of Bahia. The yellow-green leaf-stalk, spotted minutely with purple, and the rich purple of the under side of the leaves, make the plant one of ornament and worthy of cultivation.—

W. W. S.





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TAB. 312.

Natural Order Marantace E. Genus Phrynium, Willd.

P. UNILATERALE (Baker). Acaulis, foliis distichis longe petiolatis oblongo-lanceolatis ultra pedem longis cuspidatis papyraceis utrinque glabris pallide viridibus, pedunculis radicalibus brevibus robustis pubescentibus dichotomiter furcatis bracteà magna spathiformi instructis, crurâ laterali geniculatim decurvata, floribus geminis biseriatis in spicas unilaterales dispositis, bracteis exterioribus late navicularibus chartaceis albidis dense imbricatis, interioribus pellucidis, perianthii breviter pedicellati segmentis calycinis parvis lanceolatis, interioribus petaloideis albis oblongis deorsum in tubum connatis, staminodiis late petaloideis, stylo sursum libero, seminibus in fructu solitariis.

A native of Madagascar, sent by Mr. Plant.

Acaulescent. Leaves distichous, half a dozen to a stem, on pubescent petioles fifteen to eighteen inches long, concave down the face in the lower part, with a distinct phyllopode nearly an inch long at the top. Blade oblong-lanceolate, papyraceous in texture, curling up very soon like that of a Maranta when the plant is gathered, twelve to fifteen inches long, four to five inches broad, rounded at the base, abruptly acute at the apex, glabrous and pale green on both sides, with close distinct erecto-patent veins. Peduncles radical, stout, pubescent, three to four inches long, dichotomously forked, with a large clasping spathe-like bract at the division, the lateral branch geniculately decurved. Flowers in dense unilateral spikes consisting of two close rows, with tightly-packed bracts enclosing two flowers each, the general habit of the inflorescence just like that of the American Calathea Myrosma (Roscoe, Scit. t. 39). Outer bract of each cluster tough, whitish, broadly boat-shaped, half an inch broad, wrapped tightly round the axis; inner one hidden, membranous. Flowers each on a very short pedicel; ovary orange; sepals lanceolate, equal, minute; petals oblong, white, minutely mucronate, united in a tube as long as the limb. Staminodia as long as and broader than the petals, just like them in texture, the lower one bearing a lobe coloured yellow from its side just opposite the stigma; anther terminal, on a short petaloid filament. Style free and filiform some distance below the bend. Capsule subbaccate, orange, one-seeded.

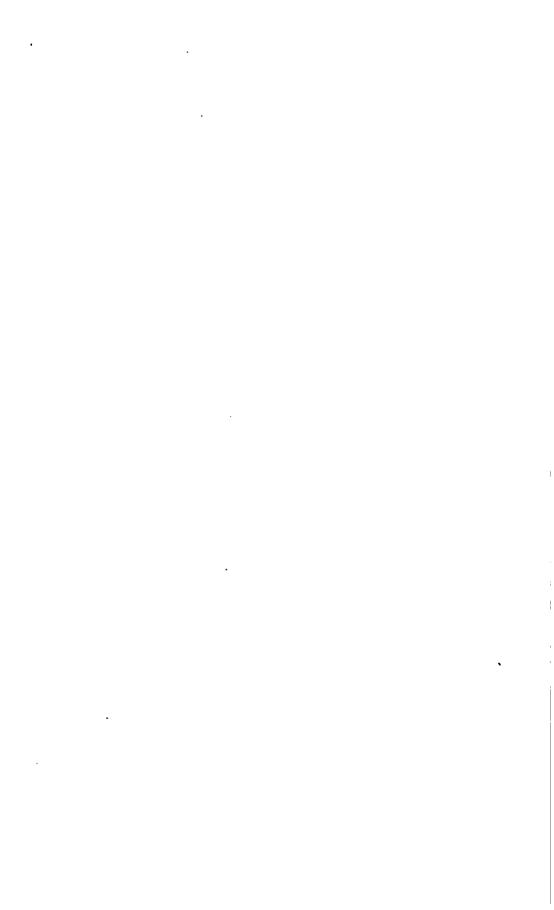
Tab. 812.—1, pair of flowers, with bracts, unexpanded; 2, the same expanded, with bracts taken away; 8, flower with sepals and petals cut away; 4, three staminodia with anther: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This remarkable *Phrynium*, which has little beauty to recommend it, should have the same treatment as *Calathea vestita*, Tab. 311. The plant was sent to me from Madagascar by Mr. Plant.—W. W. S.





Vicco Kilotemolenaia Hark



TAB. 313.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCODEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. GUATEMALENSIS (Hort. Angl.) Longe caulescens, foliis 80—50 pro genere laxe dispositis lanceolatis 2½—8 pedes longis ad medium 2½—8 poll. latis carnoso-coriaceis nitide viridibus planiusculis apice vix pungentibus marginibus albido-cartilagineis minute serrulatis inferioribus patentibus vel leviter recurvatis, floribus in paniculam congestam dispositis, perianthii anguste campanulati tripollicaris segmentis albis lanceolatis 8—4-plo longioribus quam latis, filamentis puberulis semipollicaribus apice clavatis uncinatis, ovario oblongo perianthio quadruplo breviore, stigmatibus latis profunde bicuspidatis cum stylo ovario 6-plo brevioribus.

A native of Mexico and Guatemala.

Trunk reaching five to six feet in height below the leaves. three to four inches thick in the specimen drawn, slightly swollen at the base. Leaves thirty to fifty spread over a space of a foot and a half to two feet or more of the trunk, lanceolate, reaching two and a half to three feet in length when fully developed, two and a half to three inches broad at the middle, narrowed gradually downwards to an inch above the base, and upwards to a scarcely pungent concolorous point, the colour a bright shining not at all glaucous green, the texture much more fleshy and less rigid than in aloifolia, only the lowest quarter concave on the face, the rest flat except the very point, the innermost ascending, the rest spreading, many slightly recurved, the edge horny and scabrous, seen only under a lens to be minutely serrulate, the centre two to three lines thick towards the base. Peduncle under a foot long. Panicle close, ovoid, two to three feet long, with several close erecto-patent branches. Pedicels cernuous, the lowest an inch long. Perianth narrowly bell-shaped, three inches deep, pure white, only slightly tinged with greenish vellow towards the base on the outside; the divisions lanceolate, narrowed gradually from three-quarters of the way down to an acute point, the inner eight to nine lines, the outer an inch, broad. Filaments five to six lines long, slender, puberulent, curved and abruptly thickened at the apex. Ovary oblong, half as long again as the filaments, four to five lines thick before the flower begins to fade. Stigmas deltoid, deeply bifid and bicuspidate. Style and stigmas together an eighth of an inch long.

This is a very handsome form of the aloifolia group, which is by no means uncommon in greenhouses, but which appears never to have been described or figured. It is sometimes called Draconis, but differs widely from the plant figured by Dillenius at tab. 324 of the 'Hortus Elthamensis,' which is the authority for the application of that name by Linneus. The plant called Yucca Roezlii in gardens is very nearly identical with ours.

Tab. 313.—1, whole plant, reduced; 2, leaf, and 3, branch with flowers, natural size; 4, portion of leaf, magnified; 5, stamens and ovary, natural size.—J. G. B.

I have had this plant under cultivation for many years. It grows freely, and is a fine tall effective species. It has never flowered with me, and for my illustrations I am indebted to the Royal collection at Kew.

For several years I have been cultivating a large number of the so-called species of Yucca, both hardy and requiring protection during the winter. My object has been to unravel, if possible, the great confusion which prevails in their nomenclature. Several have flowered with me, and this enables me to give a series of plates in the Refugium of these very interesting plants. The series commences in the present number, and will be continued as I have opportunities of procuring good figures from Yuccas flowering in my own collection or in the collections of my friends. This series I hope will give a good foundation for working the subject systematically, and tend to clear up partly the confusion in nomenclature I have alluded to.

The Yuccas I cultivate arrange themselves into two sections as regards treatment—hardy, and those requiring protection

from cold during the winter.

The hardy kinds will thrive in almost any good garden soil, if planted fully exposed to the sun and somewhat screened from the cold winter winds. They are easily increased by suckers or portions of the thick roots. Many flower freely, and the whole are well worthy of cultivation, producing a fine bold effect in the borders, both from their foliage and fine tall spikes of flowers, particularly where care has been taken to combine the plants with other vegetation.

The kinds requiring protection during the winter will grow well with a cool greenhouse treatment, and, to induce a proper development of their fine foliage, it is necessary to allow them plenty of light and air when practicable. They should also have plenty of pot room, and, when growing vigorously, plenty of water. They seem to like, as a soil, turfy loam and sand well mixed, and the pots should be well drained by a liberal supply of crocks. They are increased in the same way as the hardy kinds.

In the present Part will be found the following hardy kinds:-

Tab. 314. Yucca exigua, Baker. glauca, Sims. 315. 316. acuminata, Sweet. 317. Ellacombei. Baker. ,, 319. gloriosa minor, Baker. ,, 320. gloriosa, Linn. ,, 321. recurvifolia, Salisb. puberula, Haworth. 322. •• flaccida, Haworth. 323. 324. filamentosa, Linn.

And the following requiring protection during the winter:-

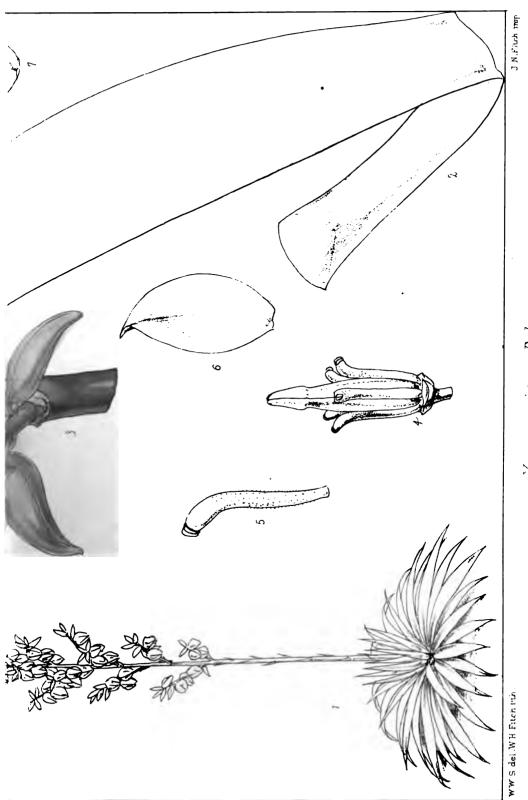
Tab. 313. Yucca guatemalensis, Baker.

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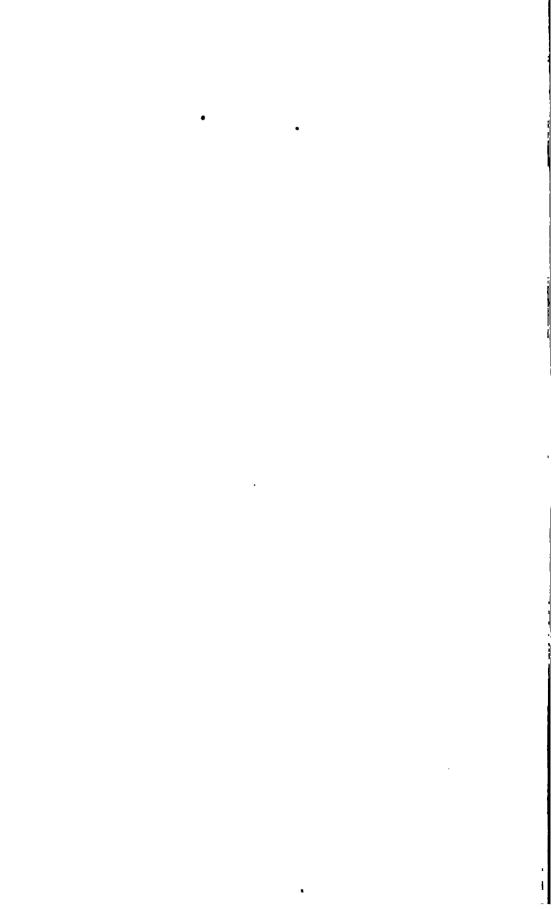
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Yucca exigua, Baker.



TAB. 314.

Natural Order LILIACEE. TRIBE YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA. Linn.

Y. Exigua (Baker). Acaulescens, foliis 30—40 dense rosulatis anguste oblanceolatis 18—20 poll. longis supra medium 18—14 lin. latis arundinaceo-coriaceis viridibus junioribus leviter glaucis apice subpungentibus, marginibus integris concoloribus, facie subconcavis, exterioribus recurvatis, scapo foliis duplo longiore, floribus pro genere laxe dispositis, perianthii campanulati albi sesquipollicaris segmentis oblongis cuspidatis duplo longioribus quam latis, filamentis puberulis 7—8 lin. longis apice clavatis uncinatis, ovario ampulliformi perianthio duplo breviore, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.

Probably a native of the Southern United States.

Acaulescent, hardy in the neighbourhood of London. Leaves thirty to forty in a dense basal rosette, narrowly oblanceolate, reaching eighteen to twenty inches long when fully developed, thirteen to fourteen lines broad two-thirds of the way up, rather firmer in texture than those of filamentosa, narrowed upwards to a brownish slightly pungent point, and downwards to three to four lines above the base, the colour a dull green which at first is slightly glaucous, the face more or less concave all through, the back convex and scabrous, the edge concolorous and entire, the outer ones more or less recurved. Scape robust, twice as long as the leaves. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, a vard long, with several downv erecto-patent branches. Flowers few to a branch, the cernuous pedicels much shorter than the scariose bracts. Perianth pure white, an inch and a half deep, when fully expanded as broad as deep; the oblong cuspidate segments nine to ten lines broad. Filaments five-eighths of an inch long, puberulent, curved and thickened at the apex. Ovary ampullæform, half as long again as the filaments, one-fourth of an inch thick. Stigmas one-fourth of an inch deep, ligulate, connate, emarginate at the apex.

Tab. 814.—1, whole plant, reduced; 2, leaf; 8, branches with flowers, natural size. 4, stamens and ovary; 5, a single stamen: both magnified.—J. G. B.

This fine-flowered Yucca is a close ally of Y. filamentosa, under which name I obtained it many years since. It flowers freely, and appears quite hardy. I know nothing of its history. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.

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Yucca glauca, Sims

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TAB. 315.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. GLAUCA (Sims Bot. Mag. t. 2662). Acaulescens, foliis circiter 80 dense rosulatis anguste oblanceolatis 18—20 poll. longis supra medium 14—16 lin. latis arundinaceo-coriaceis pallide glaucescenti-viridibus faciei medio planiusculis, marginibus concoloribus integris, apice haud pungentibus, exterioribus leviter recurvatis, scapo foliis duplo longiore, perianthii albidi late campanulati sesquipollicaris segmentis oblongis subduplo longioribus quam latis, filamentis puberulis 8—9 lin. longis apice curvatis incrassatis, ovario ampullæformi perianthio duplo breviore, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.—Kunth, Enum. iv. p. 274.

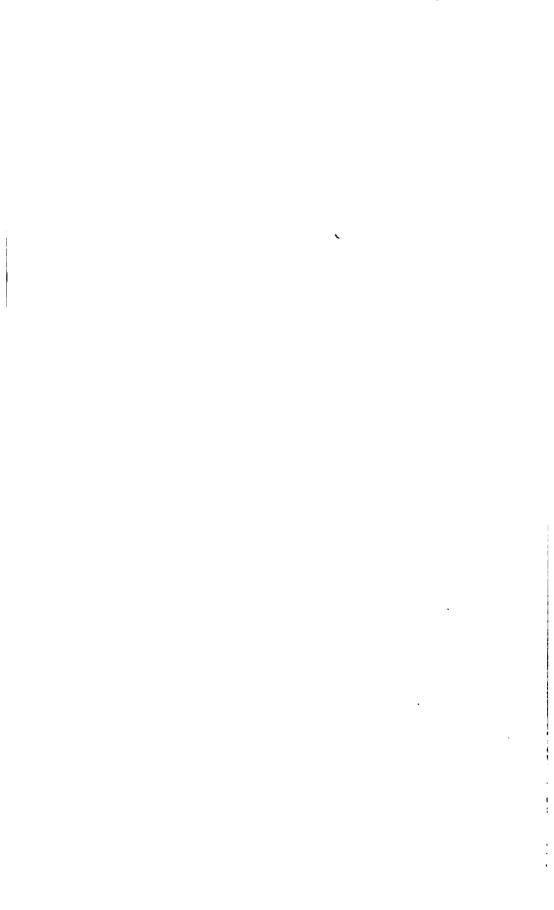
A native of the Southern United States; first grown in England by Dean Herbert.

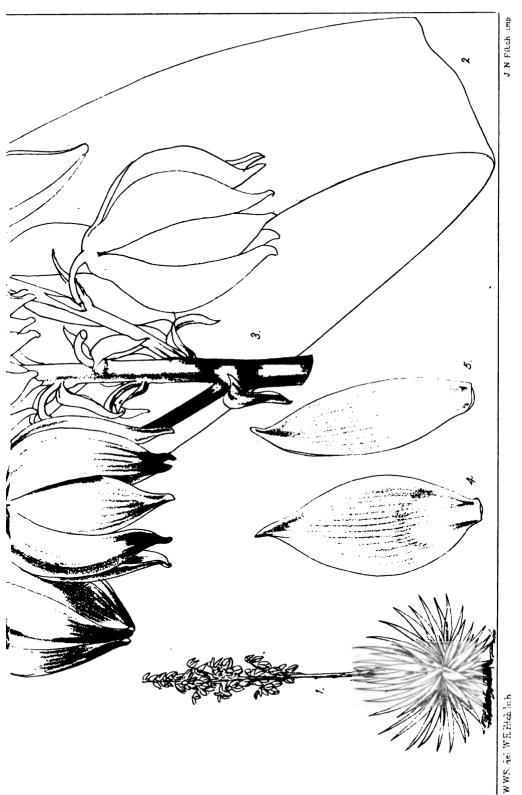
Acaulescent, quite hardy in the neighbourhood of London. Leaves about thirty in a dense basal rosette, narrowly oblanceolate, reaching eighteen to twenty inches long when fully developed, by fourteen to sixteen lines broad above the middle, narrowed upwards to a non-pungent point, and downwards to four to five lines broad above the base, the edge entire and concolorous, the texture not thicker than in filamentosa, the face flat in the middle half, the outer ones a little recurved. Scape robust, twice as long as the leaves. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, a yard deep, moderately close. Perianth whitish, twice as broad as deep when fully expanded; the divisions oblong, acute, eighteen to twenty lines long, the inner three-fourths of an inch, the outer ten to eleven lines, broad. Filaments puberulent, three-fourths of an inch long, thickened and curved at the apex. Ovary flaskshaped, scarcely longer than the stamens. Stigmas ligulate, onefourth of an inch deep, emarginate at the apex.

Tab. 815.—1, whole plant, reduced; 2, leaf; 8, branch with flowers; 4, ovary and stamens: all natural size. 5, a stamen, magnified; 6, pistil, natural size; 7, horizontal section of ovary, magnified.—J. G. B.

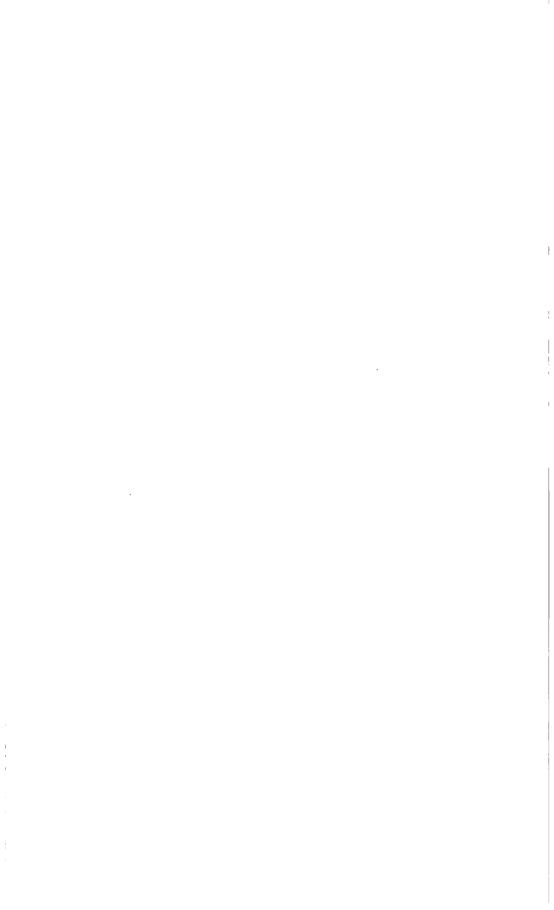
A well-known and old inhabitant of our gardens, free-flowering and easy of cultivation. The figure is from a plant in the Hillfield garden. For treatment, &c., see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 813.—W. W. S.







Yucca acuminata, Sweet



TAB. 316.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ. Tribe YUCCODEÆ. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

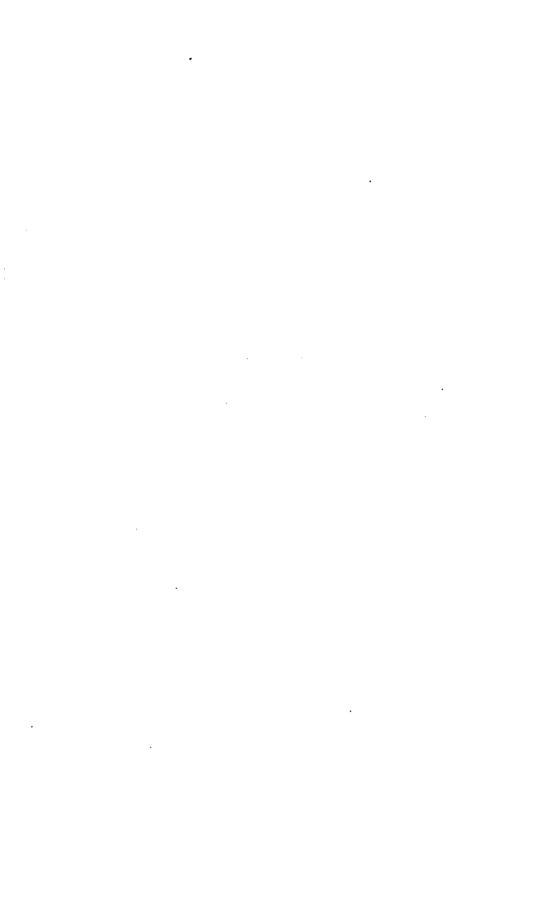
Y. Acuminata (Sweet, Brit. Flow. Gard. t. 195). Vix caulescens, foliis 50—60 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis rigide coriaceis facie prorsus concavis nullo modo recurvatis 18—24 poll. longis medio 18—24 lin. latis apice pungentibus marginibus integris brunneo-lineatis, perianthii albidi purpureo tincti globoso-campanulati segmentis exterioribus lanceolatis, interioribus oblongis duplo longioribus quam latis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi subæquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario duplo brevioribus.—Kunth, Enum. iv. 274.

A native of the Southern United States.

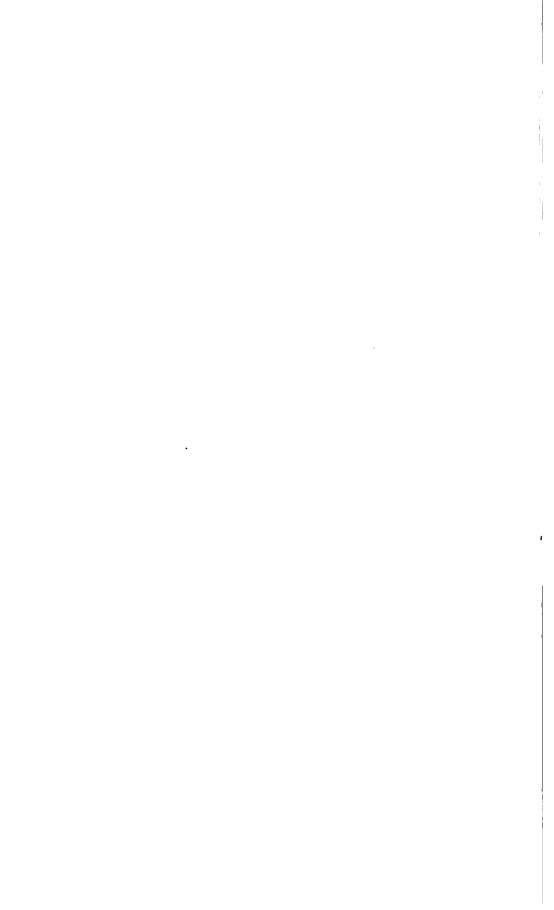
Scarcely caulescent, quite hardy in the neighbourhood of Leaves fifty to sixty in a dense rosette, reaching eighteen to twenty-four inches long, eighteen to twenty-one lines broad near the middle, narrowed gradually upwards to a hard brown pungent point, and downwards to one-half to five-eighths of an inch above the base, as rigid in texture as those of aloriosa. deep green, with a slight glaucous tinge when young, the face more or less concave throughout, the entire edge marked with a distinct brown line, all ascending or spreading, none recurved. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, with several short ascending branches. Perianth two inches deep, cream-white, tinged with purple towards the tip, rather longer than broad when fully expanded; the outer segments lanceolate, five-eighths to three-fourths of an inch broad, the inner oblong, seven-eighths to one inch broad at the middle. Filaments three-fourths of an inch long, puberulent, hooked and thickened at the tip. Ovary flask-shaped, scarcely as long as the filaments. Stigmas three-eighths of an inch long, ligulate, emarginate at the apex.

Tab. 816.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branches with flowers; 4 and 5, segments of perianth; 6, ovary and stamens: all natural size. 7, stamen, magnified.—J. G. B.

This Yucca, which is rare in collections, I obtained many years since from a nurseryman at Chelsea, whose name I have unfortunately forgotten. The figure is from a plant which flowered in the Hillfield garden. It is slow of growth, and not free to flower. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.



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TAB. 317.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

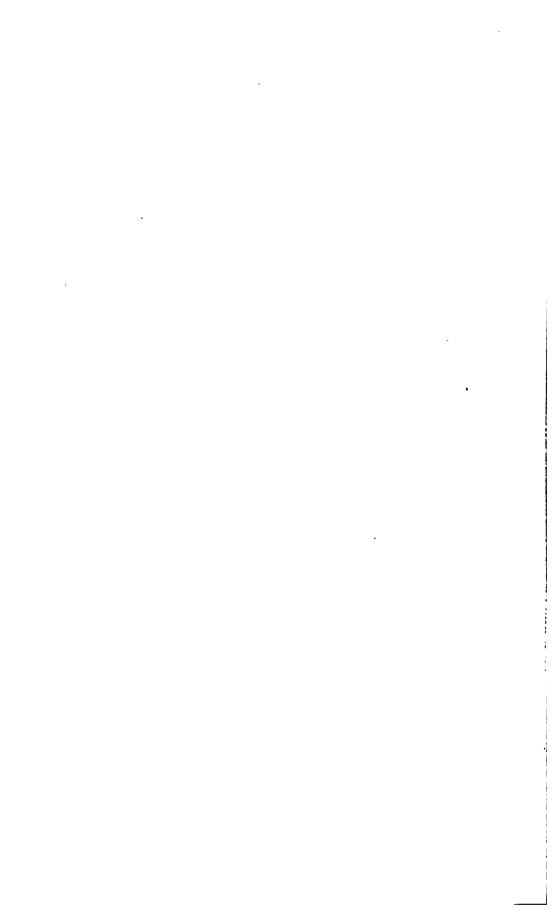
Y. Ellacombei (Hort.) Breviter caulescens, foliis 40—50 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis subrigide coriaceis glauco-viridibus facie prorsus concavis nullis recurvatis 27—80 poll. longis medio 18—21 lin. latis apice pungentibus marginibus integris brunneo-lineatis, perianthii albi subgloboso-campanulati 2½—8-pollicaris segmentis exterioribus oblongo-lanceolatis dorso rubro tinctis, interioribus oblongis, filamentis puberulis apice uncinatis incrassatis ovario unciali paulo brevioribus, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.

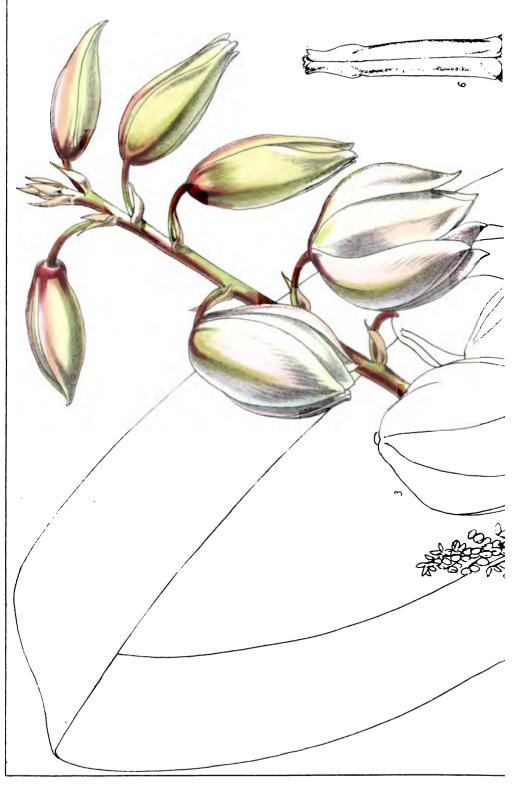
Probably a native of the Southern United States.

Shortly caulescent, quite hardy in the South of England. Leaves forty to fifty in a dense rosette, narrow-lanceolate. reaching twenty-seven to thirty inches long, eighteen to twentyone lines broad at the middle, narrowed upwards to a brown pungent point, and downwards to one-half to five-eighths of an inch broad above the base, somewhat thinner than those of gloriosa in texture, all spreading or ascending, permanently glaucous, the face more or less concave throughout, not plicate, the entire edge marked with a distinct brown line. Scape equalling the leaves. Panicle a yard long by half as broad, moderately close; the lower pedicels an inch long. Perianth pure white, two and a half to three inches deep, rather longer than broad when fully expanded; the outer divisions oblonglanceolate, tinged with bright red on the back, an inch broad; the inner oblong, fourteen to fifteen lines broad at the middle. Filaments puberulent, nine to ten lines long, thickened and curved at the apex. Ovary flask-shaped, nearly or quite an inch long. Stigmas ligulate, three to four lines long, emarginate at the apex.

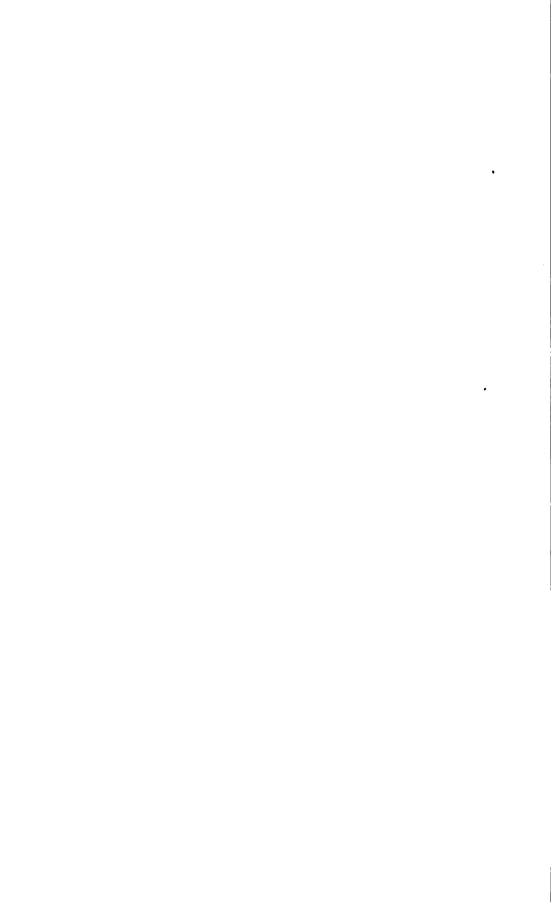
Tab. 817.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers; 4, pistil: all natural size.—J. G. B.

I am indebted to my friend the Rev. H. N. Ellacombe, of Bitton, for this interesting Yucca, which grows freely with me, but has not yet flowered at Hillfield. The figure is from a fine specimen in the garden of the gentleman above named, who has a very rich collection of Yuccas, and a far-famed collection of hardy plants. Mr. Ellacombe informs me that this plant was obtained by his late father from the Messrs. Loddiges. It first received the name Ellacombei from the Messrs. Osborne, to whom the plant had been communicated. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.





. Yncca, ensifolia, Hort.___



TAB. 318.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. ENSIFOLIA (Hort.) Breviter caulescens, foliis 85—40 densis anguste lanceolatis 2—2½ pedes longis medio 15—18 lin. latis glauco-viridibus facie prorsus concavis apice pungentibus nullis recurvatis marginibus integris brunneo-lineatis, perianthii globoso-campanulati 18—21 lin. longi segmentis oblongis dorso purpureo tinctis duplo longioribus quam latis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi æquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.

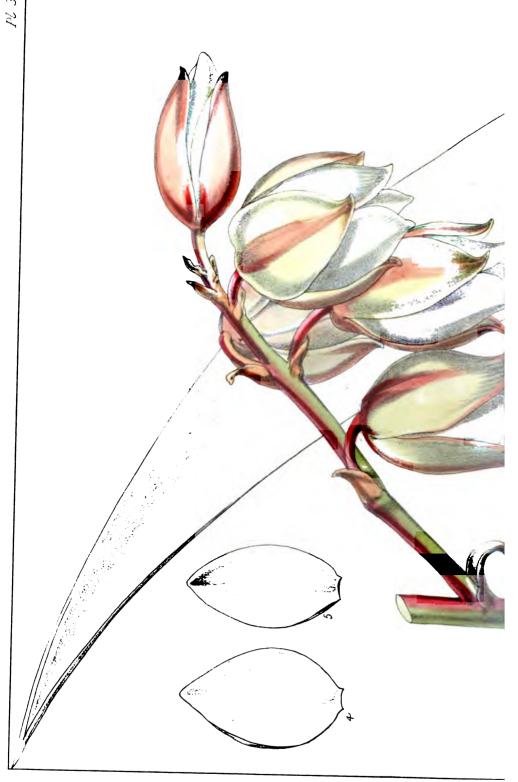
Probably a native of Mexico.

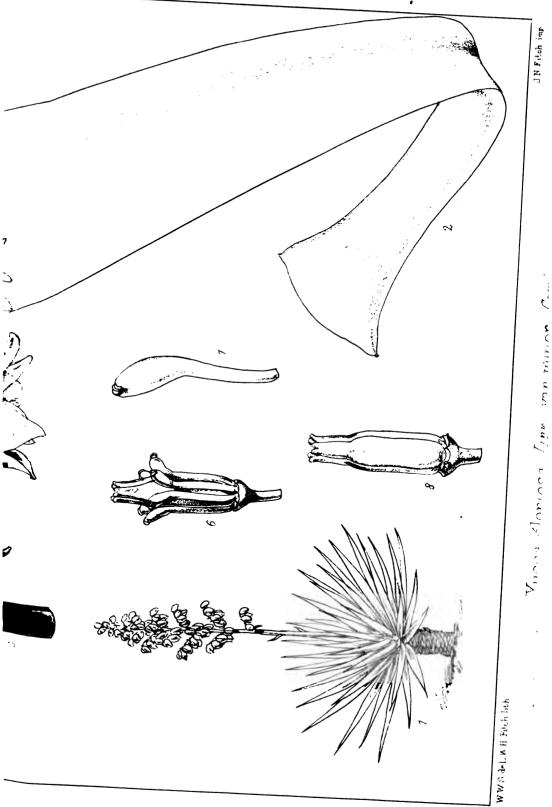
Not hardy in the South of England. Stem a foot below the leaves in the specimen drawn, much swollen at the base. Leaves thirty-five to forty, spread over about a foot of the stem, narrowlanceolate, reaching two to two and a half feet long, fifteen to eighteen lines broad at the middle, narrowed gradually upwards to a brown pungent point, and downwards to half an inch above the dilated base, pale glaucous-green, similar to those of gloriosa in texture, the face more or less concave throughout, not at all plicate, the edge entire, marked with a distinct brown line. Scape rather shorter than the leaves. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, two feet long, the lower pedicels fifteen to eighteen lines long. Perianth globoso-campanulate, cream-white, faintly tinged on the outside with red, eighteen to twenty-one lines long; both the inner and outer divisions oblong, about half as broad as long. Filaments ten to eleven lines long, puberulent, hooked and thickened at the apex, equalling the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate, emarginate at the apex, one-third as long as the ovary.

Tab. 818.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers; 4, ovary and stamens: all natural size. 5, stamen; 6, pistil: both magnified.—J. G. B.

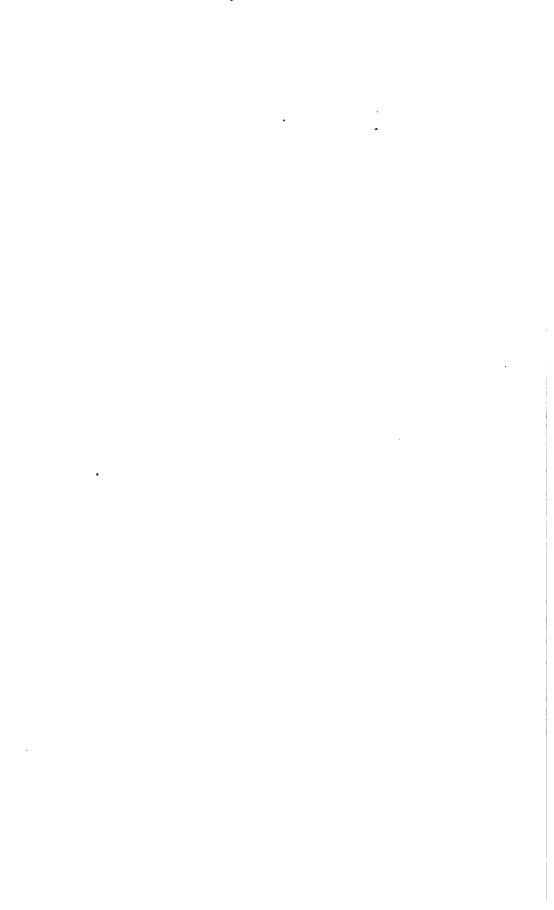
This fine species flowered with me finely last autumn. I received it a few years since from Mr. De Smet, of Ghent, who has provided me with many interesting plants among the Yuccas and Agaves. When in full flower the plant had a very fine effect, the branched spike of flowers being well thrown up among the leaves. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313. — W. W. S.







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TAB. 319.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. GLORIOSA var. MINOR (Carriere, Rev. Hort. ix. 861). Breviter caulescens, foliis 85—40 densis anguste lanceolatis rigide coriaceis rectis 15—18 poll. longis medio 15—18 lin. latis glaucoviridibus facie prorsus concavis apice brunneo-pungentibus marginibus integris brunneo-lineatis, perianthii globoso-campanulati 18—21 lin longi segmentis oblongis, filamentis ovario sequilongis, stigmatibus ovario triplo brevioribus. — Y. rubra et superba, Hort.

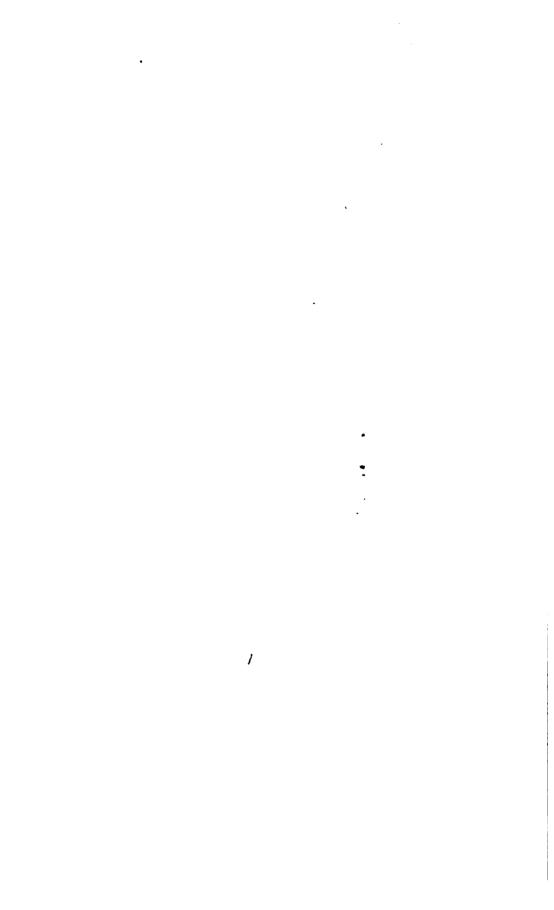
A native of the Southern United States.

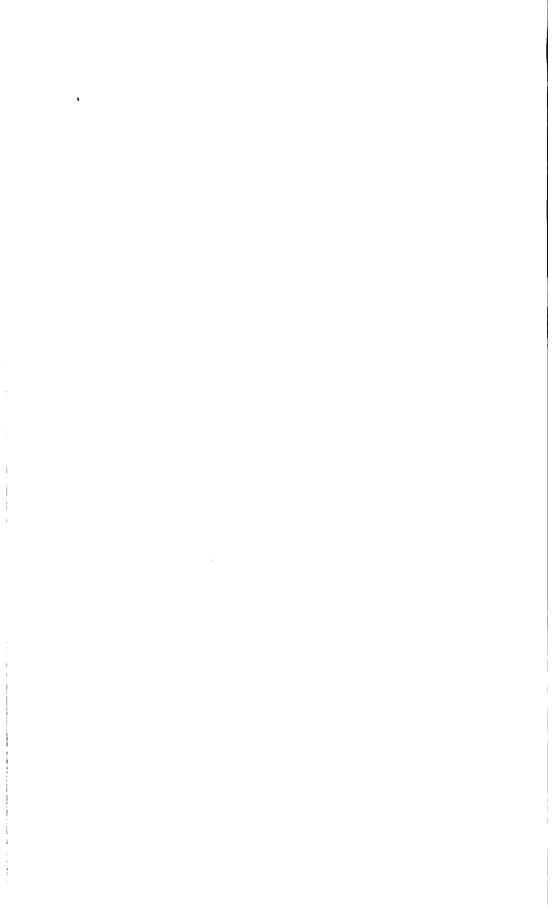
Stem about a foot long below the tuft of leaves when developed. Leaves thirty-five to forty in a close rosette, narrow-lanceolate, fifteen to eighteen inches long, fifteen to eighteen lines broad at the middle, a bright rather glaucous green, a little thinner in texture than in typical gloriosa, narrowed upwards to a brown pungent point and downwards to half an inch broad above the base, the face more or less concave throughout, the entire edge marked by a distinct brown line. Scape slightly exceeding the leaves, the oblong-lanceolate moderately close panicle about two feet deep. Perianth eighteen to twenty-one lines long, rather longer than broad when expanded, tinged with red on the outside; both rows of segments oblong, the inner ones an inch broad. Filaments nine to ten lines long, equalling the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate, one-third as long as the ovary.

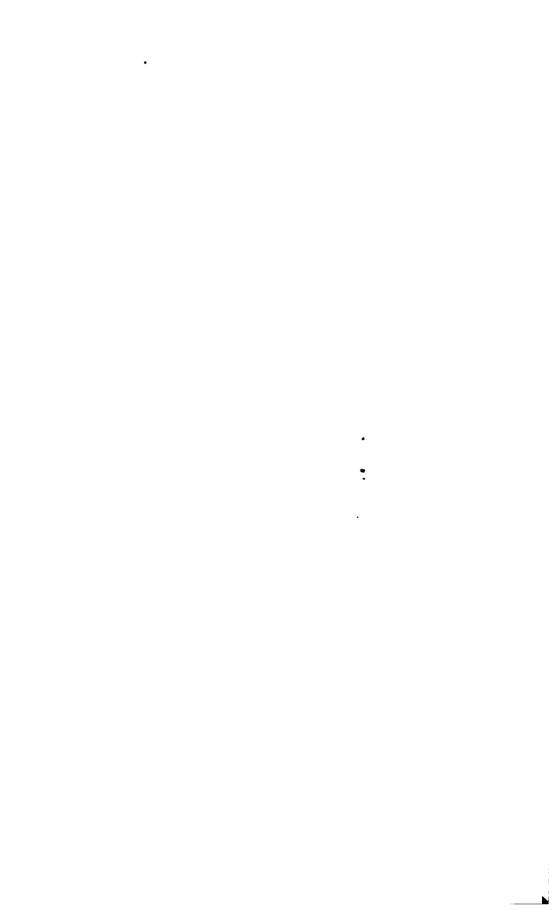
Tab. 819.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers; 4 and 5, segments of perianth; 6, stamens and pistil: all natural size. 7, stamen; 8, pistil: both magnified.—J. G. B.

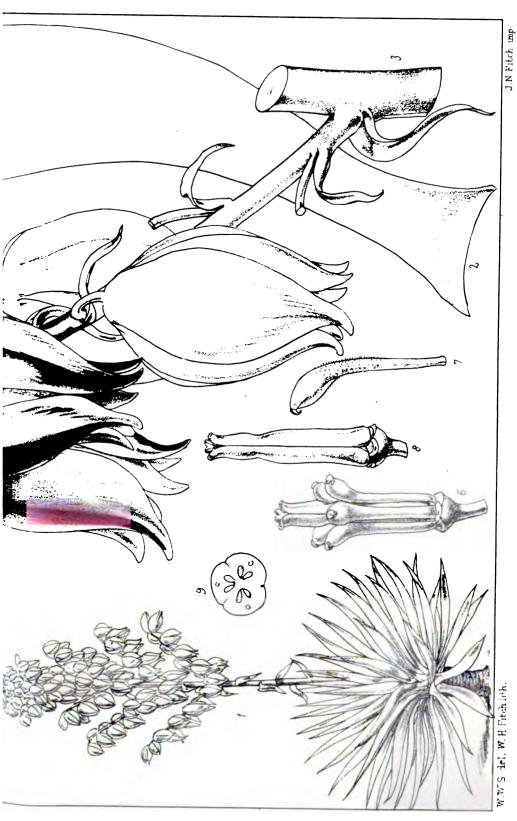
This dwarf variety of Yucca gloriosa I found growing and flowering beautifully, in the open border, in the garden of Sir Benjamin Brodie, Bart., at Brockham Warren, Surrey, who kindly allowed me to make the figure now given. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.

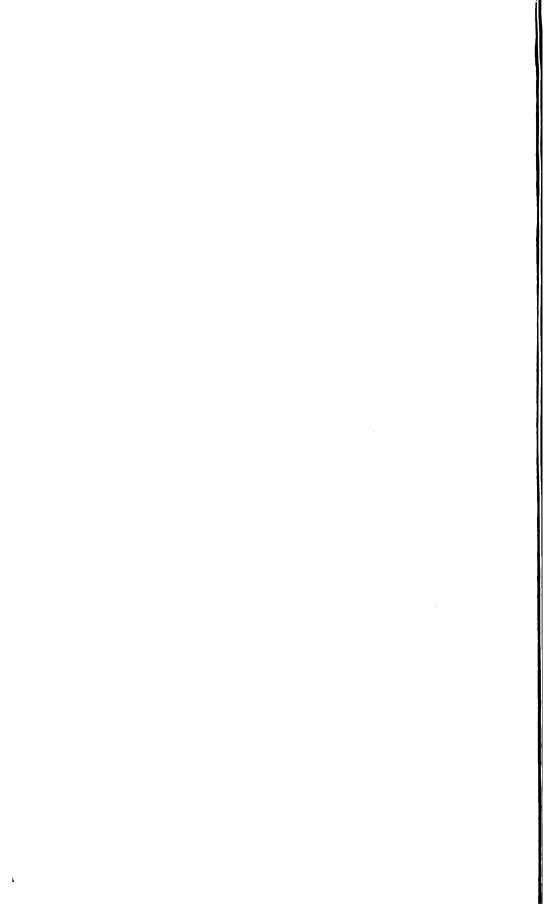












TAB. 320.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. GLORIOSA (Linn. Sp. Plant. p. 456). Longe caulescens caule sæpe ramoso, foliis 100 vel ultra dense rosulatis lanceolatis rigide coriaceis rectis facie prorsus concavis superne plicatis viridibus junioribus glauco tinctis 2—2½ pedes longis medio 2½—8 poll. latis apice brunneo-pungentibus marginibus integris brunneo-lineatis, perianthii subgloboso-campanulati extrorsum rubro tincti 2½—8 pollicaris segmentis oblongis cuspidatis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi superantibus, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.—Redouté, Lil. t. 826—7; Bot. Mag. t. 1260; Kunth, Enum. iv. 278.

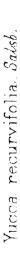
A native of the Southern United States.

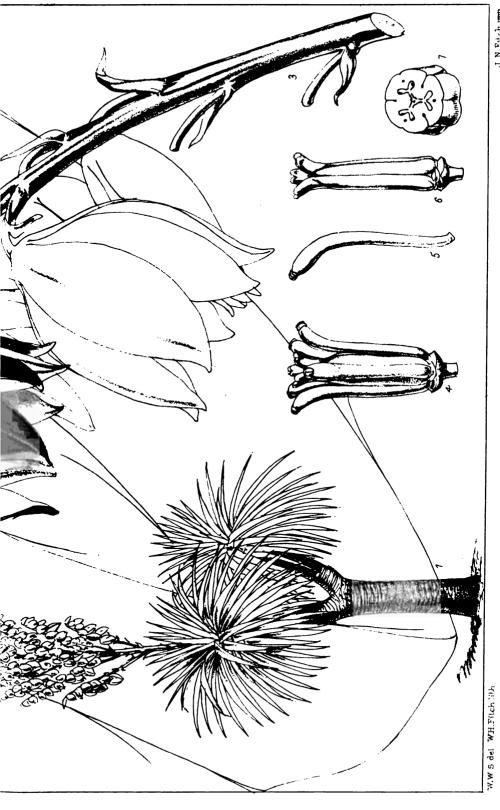
Stem reaching many feet in height below the leaves, often branched. Leaves a hundred or more in a close tuft. lanceolatelorate, two to two and a quarter feet long, two and a half to three inches broad at the middle, narrowed gradually upwards to a brown pungent point, and downwards to fifteen to eighteen lines above the base, vertically plicate in the upper part, rigidly coriaceous, all straight, the face more or less concave throughout, the entire edge marked by a distinct brown line. Scape much longer than the leaves. Panicle subdeltoid, four to five feet deep, the branches not downy, the lower pedicels twelve to fifteen lines long. Perianth two and a half to three inches deep, longer than broad when expanded; both sets of segments oblong-cuspidate, the inner fourteen to sixteen lines broad, the outer rather narrower, tinged with red down the back. Filaments puberulent. curved and thickened at the apex, ten to twelve lines long, exceeding the flask-shaped ovary, sometimes overtopping the stigmas, which are ligulate, three to four lines long, emarginate only at the apex.

Tab. 820.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers; 4 and 5, segments of perianth; 6, pistil and stamens: all natural size. 7, stamen; 8, pistil; 9, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A very effective and well-known Yucca, long grown in our gardens, and in good situations rising to a height of eight feet or more. The stems have but little strength, and most of the large plants require some support to keep them from breaking under the effects of high winds or when heavily capped with snow. When the plant attains a certain age, and is in a good sunny situation, it is free to flower. With me, on two large plants I get flower-spikes every season. My figure is from a large plant in the Hillfield garden. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 321.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCOIDEE. Genus YUCCA. Linn.

Y. RECURVIFOLIA (Salisb. Parad. Lond. t. 31). Longe caulescens caule sæpe ramoso, foliis 100—150 dense rosulatis lanceolatis rigide coriaceis exterioribus reflexis faciei medio planis viridibus junioribus glauco tinctis 2½—3 pedes longis medio 2—2½ poll. latis apice pungentibus marginibus subintegris brunneolineatis, perianthii subgloboso-campanulati extrorsum rubro tincti 2—2½ pollicaris segmentis oblongo-lanceolatis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi æquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario triplo brevioribus.—Kunth Enum. iv. 272. Y. recurva, Haworth Synops. 69. Y. pendula, Siebold, Carriere Revue Hort. viii. t. 104. Y. japonica, Hortorum.

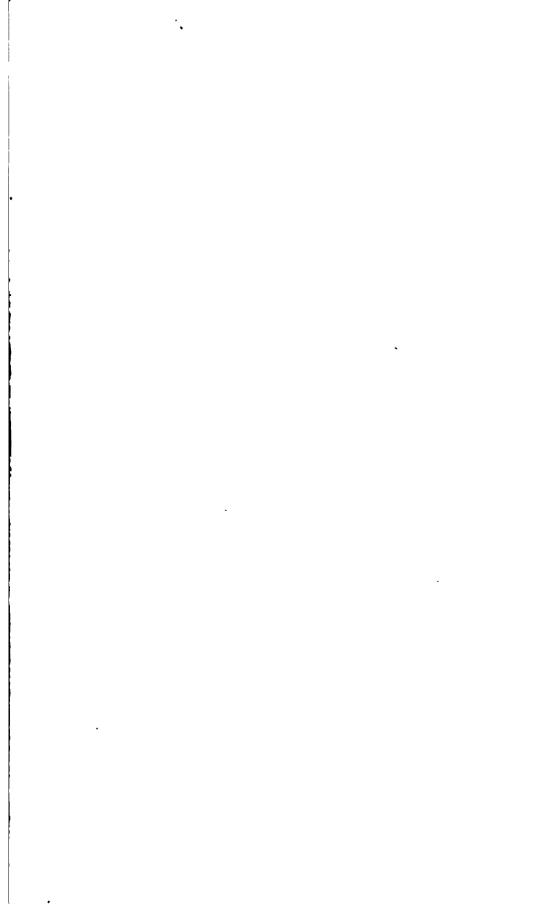
A native of the Southern United States.

Stem reaching several feet high below the leaves, often branched. Leaves a hundred to a hundred and fifty or more in a dense rosette, lanceolate, thinner and more flexible in texture than in gloriosa, two and a half to three feet long, two to two and a half inches broad at the middle, narrowed to an inch and a quarter to an inch and a half above the base, more or less glaucous when young, the middle half flat on the face, the point subpungent, the edge entire or nearly so, marked with a brown line. Scape about equalling the leaves. Panicle ovate-deltoid. three to four feet deep; the lower branches a foot or more long. Perianth two to two and a half inches deep, tinged with red on the outside; the segments oblong-lanceolate, the inner ten to twelve lines, the outer nine to ten lines, broad at the middle. Filaments puberulent, ten to twelve lines long, hooked and thickened at the point, equalling the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate, three to four lines long, emarginate only at the apex.

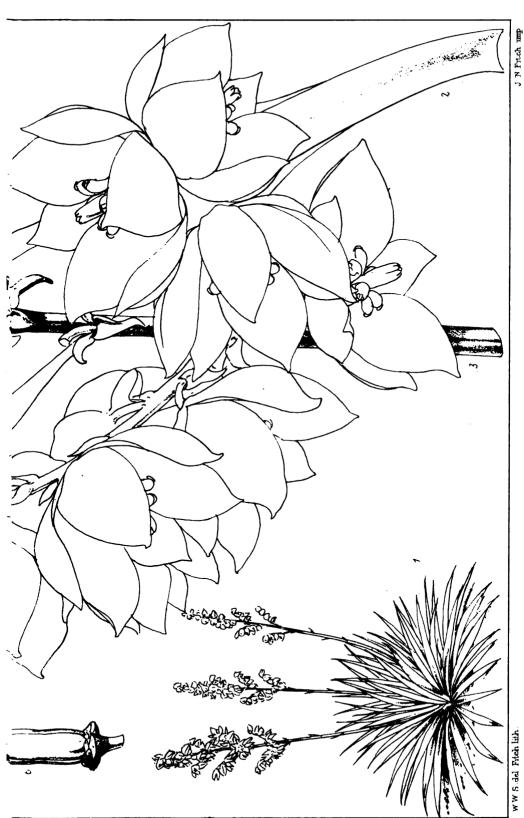
In a broad sense not more than a variety of gloriosa, with which it is connected by intermediate stages.

Tab. 821.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 8, branch with flowers; 4, stamens and pistil: all natural size. 5, stamen, slightly magnified; 6, pistil, natural size; 7, horizontal section of ovary, magnified.—J. G. B.

This is another tall-growing Yucca, but with me it does not get to the height of Yucca gloriosa. The plant has, however, a more graceful habit, the very numerous long leaves gently curving downwards and hiding more of the bare stems. It is not a free-flowering species, but from its beautiful habit it is well worthy of cultivation. The figure is from a plant in my collection. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.







TAB. 322.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCODEE. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. PUBERULA (Haworth, Phil. Mag. March, 1828, p. 186). Acaulis, foliis 80—40 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis arundinaceocoriaceis diutine glauco-viridibus 12—15 poll. longis 12—15 lin. latis facie prorsus leviter concavis apice haud pungentibus omnibus rectis marginibus parce filiferis, perianthii lacteoalbidi late campanulati 18—21 lin. longi segmentis oblongis, filamentis puberulis apice uncinatis incrassatis ovario ampullæformi longioribus, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario duplo brevioribus. — Sweet, Brit. Flow. Gard. t. 251. Kunth, Enum. iv. 272.

A native of the Southern United States.

Acaulescent, quite hardy in England. Leaves thirty to forty in a dense rosette, narrow-lanceolate, reaching twelve to fifteen inches long, twelve to fifteen lines broad above the middle, permanently glaucous-green, similar to those of filamentosa in texture, the face slightly concave throughout, all straight, the point not pungent, the edge slightly filiferous. Scape exceeding the leaves. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, two feet long, moderately close, with densely pubescent rachis and branches. Perianth eighteen to twenty-one lines deep, cream-coloured, tinged with green towards the base, broader than deep when expanded; both rows of segments oblong, the inner ones an inch broad. Filaments ten to twelve lines long, puberulent, thickened and curved at the apex, slightly exceeding the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate, half as long as the ovary, emarginate at the apex.

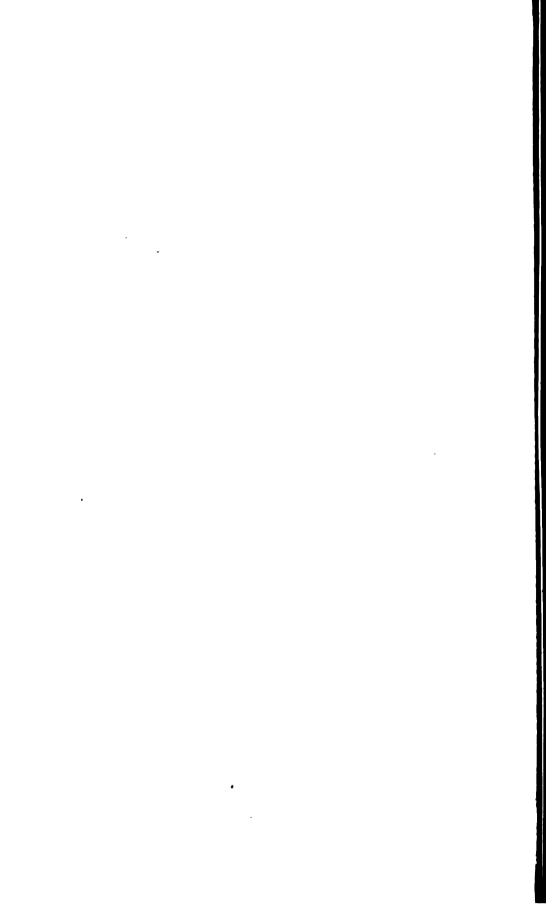
Tab. 822.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 8, branch with flowers; 4, stamens and pistil: all natural size. 5, stamen; 6, pistil: both magnified.—J. G. B.

One of the smaller stemless species of Yucca, long since introduced to this country, but not often met with. After flowering the plant seems much exhausted, and the portion which flowers dies, generally leaving side shoots, which require two or more years before they have strength to produce flower-spikes. The figure is from a fine plant grown in the Castle Garden, Reigate. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 818.—W. W. S.



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TAB. 323.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ. Tribe YUCCOIDEÆ. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. FLACCIDA (Haworth, Pl. Suc. Suppl. p. 84). Acaulis, foliis 20—80 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis arundinaceo-coriaceis viridibus junioribus glauco tinctis 18—21 poll, longis 15—18 lin. latis planiusculis apice haud pungentibus marginibus copiose filiferis exterioribus cite recurvatis, perianthii late campanulati 18—21 lin. longi segmentis oblongis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi æquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario duplo brevioribus.—Bot. Reg. t. 1895. Kunth, Enum. iv. 272.

A native of the Southern United States.

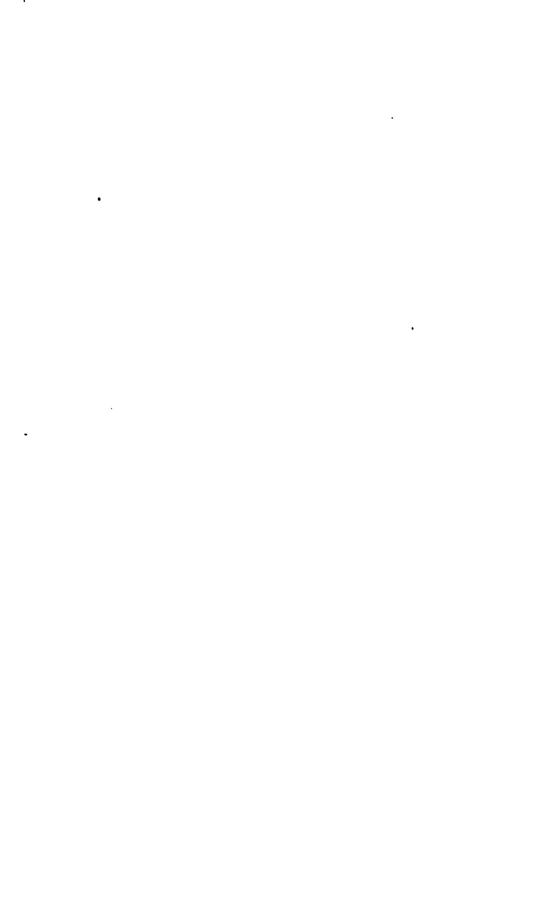
Acaulescent, quite hardy in England. Leaves twenty to thirty in a dense rosette, lanceolate, eighteen to twenty-one inches long, fifteen to eighteen lines broad above the middle, narrowed gradually to half an inch broad above the base, thinner in texture than those of filamentosa, slightly glaucous when young, the face flattened except near the non-pungent point, the edge detaching copious gray threads, many of the outer ones becoming abruptly decurved, so that the rosette has an irregular untidy appearance. Scape many times exceeding the leaves. Panicle oblong-lanceolate, a yard long, not very close. Perianth eighteen to twenty-one lines long, cream-coloured, tinged with green towards the base, broader than deep when expanded; both sets of seaments oblong, the inner ones nine to ten lines broad. Filaments nine to ten lines long, curved and thickened at the point, equalling the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate, emarginate at the tip, half as long as the ovary.

In a broad sense both this and the preceding are evidently only varieties of *filamentosa*.

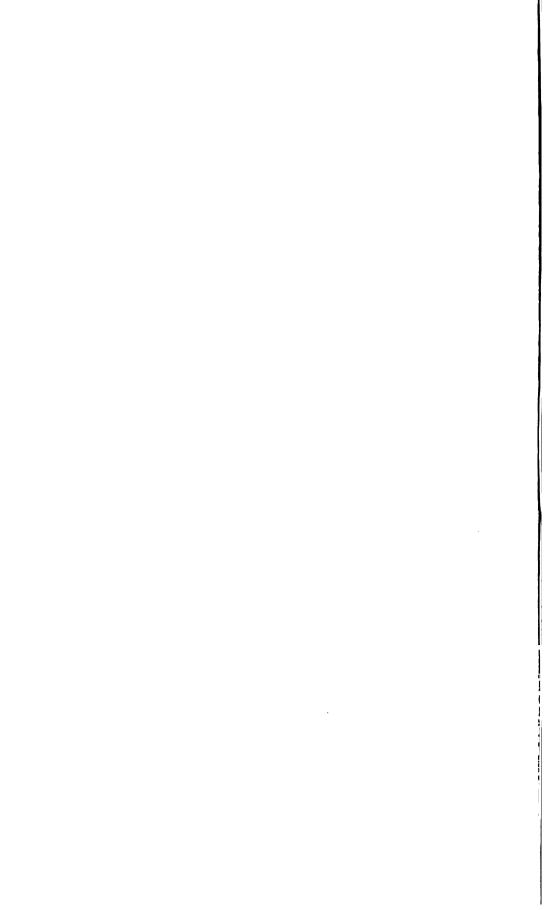
Tab. 328.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flower; 4, stamens and pistil: all natural size.—J. G. B.

This old inhabitant of our gardens is well known by cultivators of Yuccas, and, flowering freely, is commonly grown, although

the plant has very irregularly disposed leaves, bending in various directions from their want of rigidity, and looking very untidy. The figure is taken from a plant which flowered in the Royal collection at Kew. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.







TAB. 324.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe YUCCODEE. Genus YUCCA. Linn.

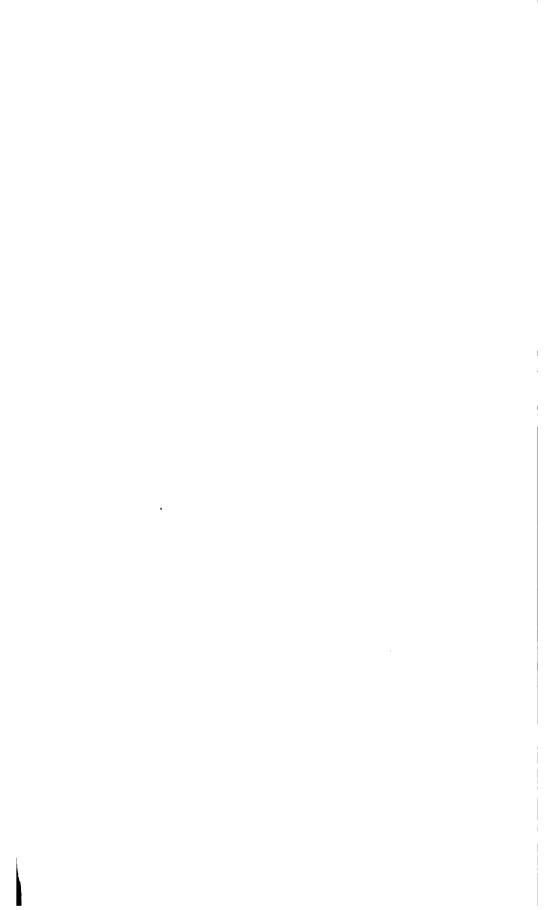
Y. FILAMENTOSA (Linn. Sp. Plant. p. 457). Acaulis, foliis 30—50 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis 1;—2 pedes longis 21—24 lin. latis arundinaceo-coriaceis glauco-viridibus facie planius-culis apice haud pungentibus marginibus copiose filiferis nullis recurvatis, perianthii albi globoso-campanulati 21—24 lin. longi segmentis interioribus oblongis exterioribus oblongo-lanceolatis, filamentis puberulis apice uncinatis incrassatis ovario ampullæformi æquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario duplo brevioribus.—Bot. Mag. t. 900; Redonté, Lil. t. 277—8; Kunth, Enum. iv. 271.

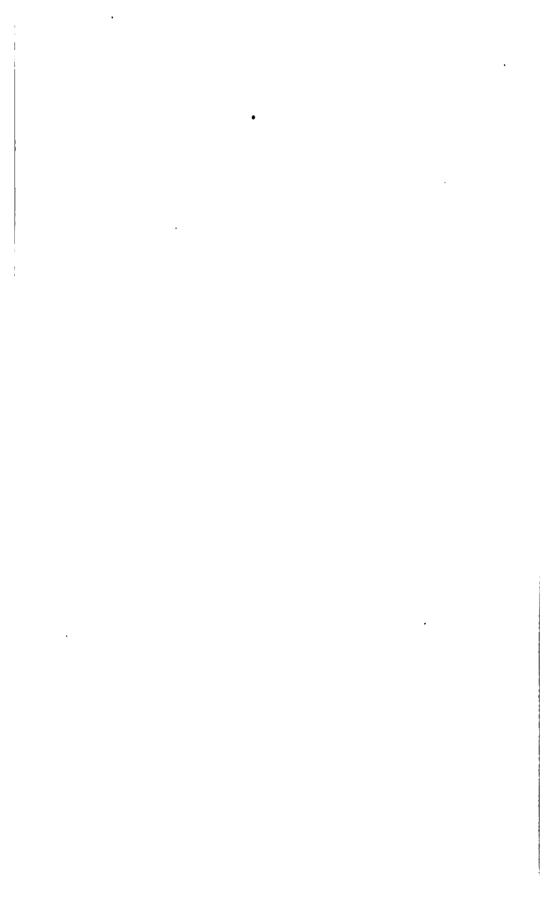
A native of the Southern United States.

Acaulescent, quite hardy in England. Leaves thirty to fifty in a dense rosette, narrow-lanceolate, a foot and a half to two feet long, twenty-one to twenty-four lines broad above the middle. narrowed to half an inch above the base, reedy and pliable in texture, not recurved, the point not pungent, the face flattish in the middle half, the edge detaching copious gray threads three to four lines long. Scape purplish, much exceeding the leaves. Panicle three feet long, oblong-lanceolate, moderately dense. Pedicels cernuous, one-fourth to half an inch long. Perianth a purer white than in the two last, tinged with green towards the base, twenty-one to twenty-four lines long, about as broad as deep when expanded: the inner segments oblong, an inch broad, the outer oblong-lanceolate, nine to ten lines broad. Filaments nine to ten lines long, puberulent, thickened and curved at the tip, equalling in length the flask-shaped ovary. Stigmas ligulate. emarginate at the tip, half as long as the ovary.

Tab. 824.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers: both natural size. 3, stamens and pistil, magnified.—
J. G. B.

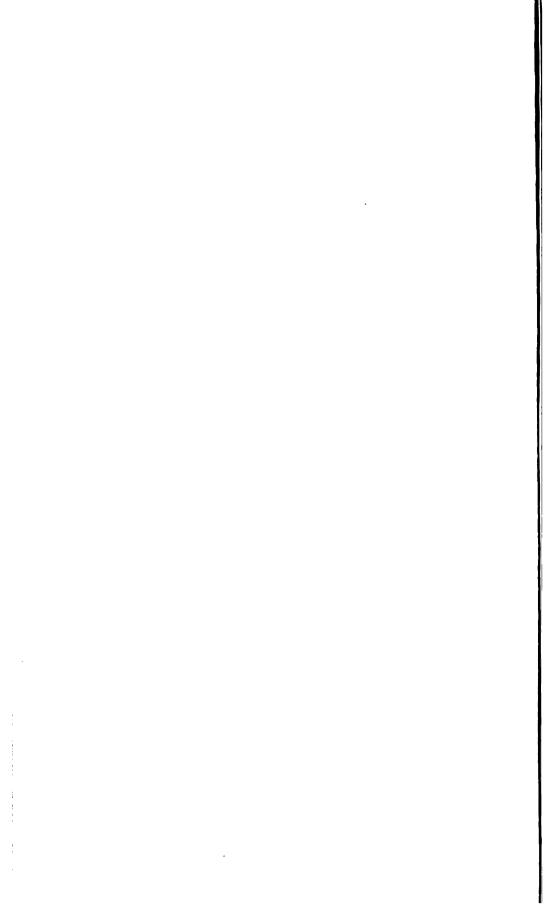
Another species of Yucca commonly cultivated, and long since introduced into our gardens. When in a good situation it flowers freely. The figure is from a specimen which flowered in the Royal collection at Kew. I have grown it for many years, and find it quite hardy. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.—W. W. S.







Yucca filamentosa var, grandiflora. Baker.



TAB. 325.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ. Tribe YUCCODEÆ. Genus YUCCA, Linn.

Y. FILAMENTOSA var. GRANDIFLORA (Baker). Acaulis foliis 80—40 dense rosulatis anguste lanceolatis 18—21 poll. longis 18—21 lin. latis arundinaceo-coriaceis glauco-viridibus apice haud pungentibus nullis recurvatis marginibus copiose filiferis, perianthii albi oblongo-campanulati 2½—8 poll. longi segmentis omnibus oblongo-lanceolatis, filamentis puberulis apice incrassatis uncinatis ovario ampullæformi æquilongis, stigmatibus ligulatis apice emarginatis ovario sesqui brevioribus.

A native of the Southern United States.

Acaulescent, quite hardy in England. Leaves narrow-lanceolate, thirty to forty in a dense rosette, eighteen to twenty-one inches long, eighteen to twenty-one lines broad above the middle, narrowed to half an inch above the base, similar in texture, point and edge, to those of the type, very glaucous when young. Panicle laxer than in the type, when well developed reaching four or five feet in length by a foot and a half in breadth. Perianth similar in colour to that of the type, two and a half to three inches deep; both rows of segments oblong-lanceolate, narrowed gradually from below the middle to an acute point, the outer ones ten to twelve lines broad. Filaments and ovary as in the type, but the stigmas considerably longer in proportion.

The handsomest form of the filamentosa group.

Tab. 825.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, branch with flowers; 4, stamens and pistil: all natural size. 5, pistil; 6, stamen; 8, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This variety of Yucca filamentosa appears distinct from the usual form, being larger in all its parts, and producing a handsome effect. I have had it in cultivation for several years, and received it as Yucca filamentosa. Its history is unknown to me. For treatment see observations on culture, &c., Tab. 313.

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TAB. 326.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDAGEÆ. Genus AGAVE. Linn.

A. VARIEGATA (Jacobi, Hamb. Gartenzeit. xxi. 459). Acaulis foliis 15—18 dense rosulatis carnosis lorato-lanceolatis medio pollicem latis viridibus leviter glauco tinctis maculis luridis adspersis ad apicem haud pungentem sensim attenuatis facie carinato-concavis dorso convexis marginibus cartilagineis obscure crenulato-denticulatis exterioribus recurvatis, scapo bipedali, floribus 15—20 viridibus solitariis laxe spicatis, perianthio 14—15 lin. longo, ovario oblongo, tubo anguste infundibuliformi segmentis rubro-brunneis oblongo-lanceolatis flore expanso reflexis æquilongo, filamentis rubescentibus bipollicaribus.

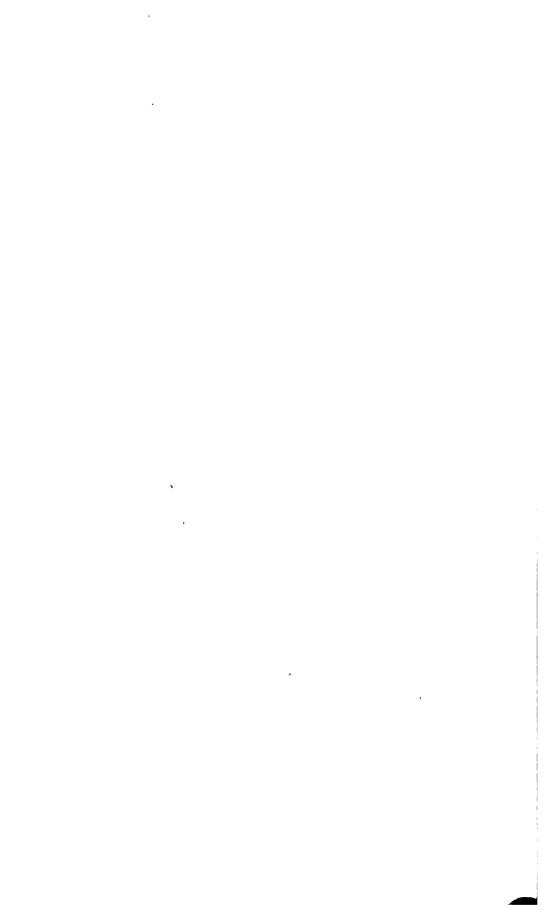
Probably a native of Mexico.

Acaulescent. Leaves fifteen to eighteen in a dense rosette, lorate-lanceolate, fleshy, not coriaceous in texture, finally twelve to fifteen inches long, an inch broad at the middle, narrowed slightly to the base, and gradually upwards to a non-pungent point, a slightly glaucous-green, with numerous faint lurid blotches, the innermost erect, the rest recurved, the face concave. the back rounded, the horny edge obscurely denticulate. Flowerstem two feet long without the inflorescence, bearing more than a dozen bract-like leaves. Flowers about twenty, with a strong smell of honey, lax, quite sessile, solitary, with two to three minute membranous lanceolate bracts at the base. green on the outside, fourteen to fifteen lines long; the ovary, tube and segments all about equal in length, the ovary oblong, the tube narrowly funnel-shaped, the segments oblong-lanceolate, reddish brown on the inside, reflexed when the flower is fully expanded. Filaments two inches long, reddish brown, at first ascending, finally drooping. Anthers linear-oblong, three-eighths of an inch long.

Tab. 326.—1, whole plant, reduced. 2, leaf; 3, raceme: both natural size.—J. G. B.

This small, soft-leaved, interesting Agave I obtained from Mons. L. de Smet, of Ghent, under the name of maculata. It requires the protection of a warm greenhouse, and should not be

too much exposed to the sun, as its leaves are apt to turn brown when so treated. It grows freely when potted in an equal mixture of sandy loam and peat. The pots should be well drained.—W. W. S.





Agave micracantha, Salm-ds-k.

TAB. 327.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE. Genus AGAVE. Linn.

A. MICRACANTHA (Salmdyck, Bonpl. vii. p. 98). Breviter caulescens foliis 20—80 modice crassis coriaceo-carnosis 15—18 poll. longis supra medium 8—4 poll. latis viridibus leviter glauco tinctis spina semiunciali terminatis facie planiusculis dorso convexis dentibus parvis confertis corneis rubro-brunneis deltoideis ascendentibus marginatis, exterioribus leviter recurvatis, scapo tripedali, spica 8—4-pedali, floribus geminatis confertis, perianthio extrorsum viridi 18—20 lin. longo, ovario oblongo, tubo anguste infundibuliformi segmentis flavidis oblongo-deltoideis flore expanso reflexis æquilongo, filamentis bipollicaribus rubescentibus, antheris magnis linearibus.

A native of Mexico.

Shortly caulescent. Leaves twenty to thirty in a dense rosette. lanceolate, fifteen to eighteen inches long, three to four inches broad above the middle, narrowed gradually to a brown pungent spine half an inch long, and downwards to an inch and a half to two inches above the base, about two lines thick in the middle. the colour a slightly glaucous-green, the face flattish in the middle, the back convex, the outer ones slightly recurved, the edge margined with copious close reddish-brown horny deltoid ascending teeth not more than half a line deep. Scape twice as long as the leaves. Inflorescence dense, subspicate, the spike three to four feet deep by seven to eight inches broad when fully expanded. Flowers in subsessile pairs, subtended by purplish membranous bracts with a long cusp. Perianth eighteen to twenty lines long, green, passing upwards into greenish yellow; ovary oblong, half an inch deep; tube narrowly funnel-shaped, as long as the ovary; segments half an inch long, oblong-deltoid, recurved when fully expanded. Filaments two inches long. inserted low down in the tube; anthers linear, eight to nine lines long. Style three inches long.

Tab. 327.—1, whole plant; 2, leaf: both much reduced. 8, apex of leaf: 4, two pairs of flowers: both natural size.—J. G. B.

One of my plants of Agave micracantha has flowered three times within the last few years, dividing itself into several heads after flowering in the way A. densiflora is accustomed to do. It is a free-growing species when potted in good sandy-turfy loam, with plenty of pot-room when young. The plants should be allowed a free supply of water during the season of growth, and the pots they grow in should be carefully drained. The temperature of a cool airy greenhouse suits them well. I have grown this Agave for many years. I think I originally obtained it from Belgium.—W. W. S.





Agave Scolymus, Karw.

TAB. 328.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEÆ. Genus Agave, Linn.

A. Scolymus (Karwinski in Salmdyck Hort. 1884, p. 807). Acaulis, foliis circiter 80 dense rosulatis crassissimis rectis glaucoviridibus oblongo-lanceolatis 18—21 poll. longis supra medium 4—4½ poll. latis spina valida brunnea canaliculata biunciali terminatis facie planis dorso convexis marginibus dentibus corneis validis uncinatis subdistantibus semipollicem longis armatis, scapo 12-pedali, floribus thyrsoideo-paniculatis ad apicem ramorum fasciculatis geminatis breviter pedicellatis, perianthio triunciali viridi-flavido, ovario oblongo-clavato, segmentis oblongo-lanceolatis tubo infundibuliformi æquilongis, filamentis leviter exsertis, antheris magnis linearibus.—Kunth, Enum. iv. 824.

A native of Mexico.

Acaulescent. Leaves about thirty, densely resulate, oblonglanceolate, reaching eighteen to twenty-one inches long, four to four and a half inches broad above the middle, terminated by a channelled hard brown spine two inches long, a pale permanently glaucous-green, half an inch thick in the middle, an inch and a half to two inches at the base, the face flat, the back convex. the edge margined by strong hard pungent hooked subdistant spines three-eighths to half an inch long. Scape twelve feet high in the specimen drawn, exclusive of the inflorescence, two and a half to three inches thick at the base. Panicle four feet long by half as broad, regularly thyrsoid; the branches with only dense bundles of short-stalked geminate flowers clustered at the apex. Perianth three inches long, green, passing upwards into vellow: ovary green, oblong-cylindrical, fourteen to fifteen lines long; segments oblong-lanceolate, equalling the funnel-shaped tube. Filaments three-fourths of an inch longer than the segments: anthers linear, an inch long. Style falling a little short of the filaments.

Tab. 828.—1, whole plant; 2, leaf: both much reduced. 8, apex of leaf, natural size. 4, cluster of flowers, reduced. 5, pair of flowers; 6, stamen: both natural size.—J. G. B.

This Agave was some years in my collection before it flowered. I know nothing positive of its history, but I believe I am indebted to the Royal collection at Kew for the plant I possessed. When in flower it had a fine imposing effect. The plant soon withered and died after flowering, producing no suckers and not perfecting seeds. It was treated in the same way as recommended for A. micracantha, Tab. 327.—W. W. S.





Nerine pulchella Herb. var angustifolia, Baker.

TAB. 329.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEÆ. Tribe AMARYLLEÆ. Genus Nerine. Herbert.

N. PULCHELLA (Herbert, App. 19), var. ANGUSTIFOLIA (Baker). Bulbo ovoideo, foliis 8—4 glauco-viridibus carnoso-herbaceis anguste ligulatis pedalibus 8—4 lin. latis, scapo 1½—2-pedali, spathæ valvis 2 magnis lanceolatis multis filiformibus, umbellis 10—12-floris, pedicellis 1½—2-uncialibus, perianthii segmentis uncialibus æqualibus oblanceolatis 2—2½ lin. latis leviter undulato-crispatis, genitalibus perianthio brevioribus.

A native of Cape Colony, gathered by Mr. Cooper.

Bulb ovoid, two inches thick. Leaves three to four, cotemporary with the flowers, glaucous-green, narrow-ligulate, reaching a foot long, three to four lines broad, fleshy in texture, with immersed veins. Scape a foot and a half to two feet high, firm, erect, terete. Spathe with two opposite coloured membranous lanceolate reflexed valves an inch long, and, inside these, many which are small and thread-like. Ovary green, globose, deeply trisulcate. Limb of the perianth an inch long, rose-pink; the segments equal, oblanceolate, slightly crisped, two to two and a half lines broad two-thirds of the way up, rotato-reflexed when expanded. Genitalia a little shorter than the segments; the style and filaments close in the lower, reflexed and divergent in the upper half.

This form has exactly the flowers of Herbert's Nerine pulchella, as figured Bot. Mag. t. 2407, but approaches the better-known N. undulata (Bot. Mag. t. 369) by its narrower leaves.

Tab. 829.— 1, ovary, with style, stigma and base of filaments; 2, horizontal section of ovary: both magnified.—J. G. B.

An interesting species of *Nerine*, which I owe to the exertions of Mr. Thos. Cooper while my collector in South Africa. It requires the same treatment as other species of the genus, and, when well taken care of, flowers freely.—W. W. S.

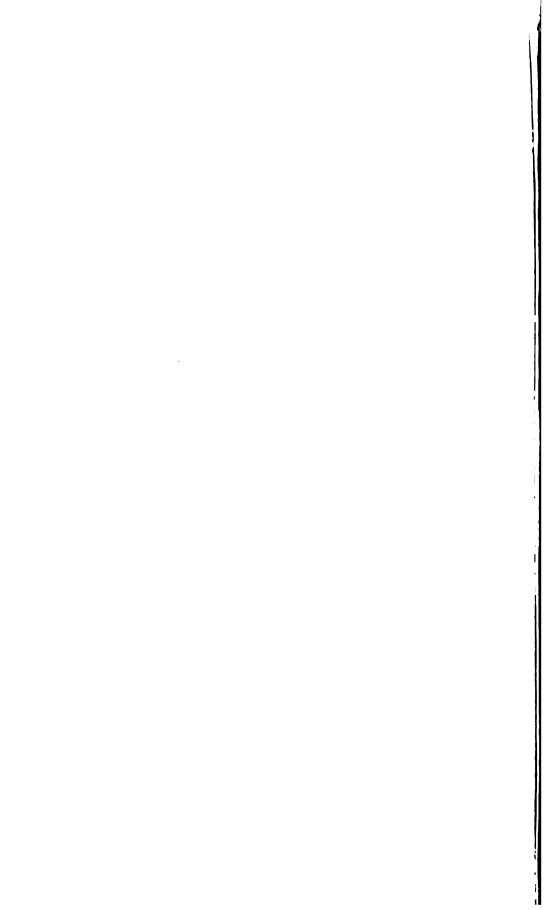
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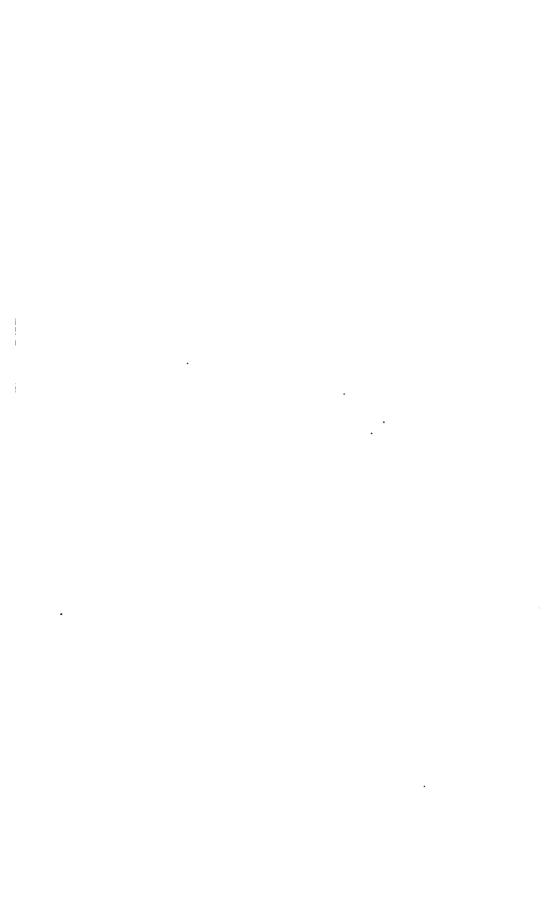






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TAB. 331.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEÆ.
Tribe PANCRATIEÆ.
Genus PANCRATIUM, Linn.
Sub-genus Hymenocallis, Salisb.

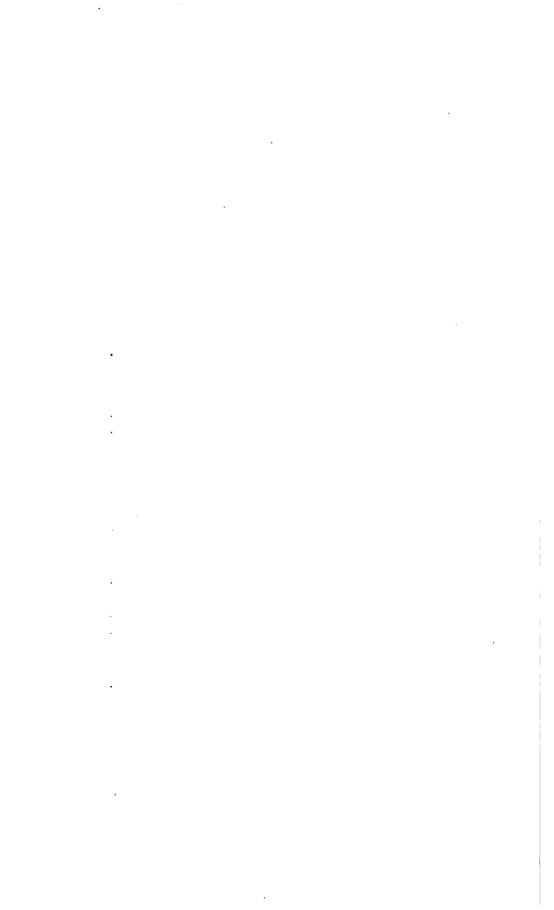
P. CRASSIFOLIUM (Baker). Foliis circiter 6 firmis crassis suberectis loratis viridibus 2 pedes vel ultra longis supra medium 1½—2 poll. latis dimidio inferiori sensim attenuatis, scapo ancipito acute angulato, umbellis 4—5-floris, ovario sessili, tubo 8—4 poll. longo, limbi segmentis rotato-recurvatis ligulatis tubo æquilongis, coronâ infundibuliformi unciali, dentibus deltoideis emarginatis, filamentis coronâ 1½—2-plo excedentibus, stylo segmentis æquilongo.—Hymenocallis crassifolium, Herbert, Amary. p. 215. H. crassifora, Kunth, Enum. v. 677.

A native of Florida.

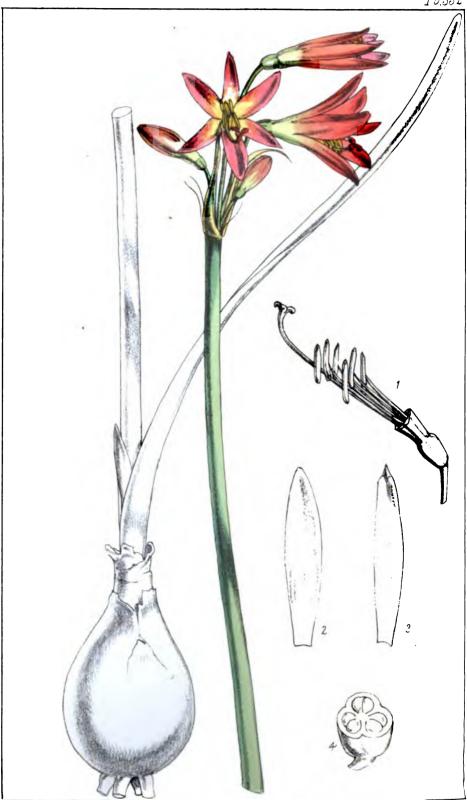
Bulb ovoid, three and a half to four inches thick, tunicated, with lax brownish coats. Leaves about six, stiffly subcrect, lorate, two feet or more long, an inch and a half to two inches broad above the middle, narrowed gradually to a broad base, bluntish, as thick in texture as in any of the genus, with twenty-five to thirty fine immersed veins, bright green, not at all glaucous. Scape acutely two-edged, three-quarters of an inch thick one way, not more than half as much the other. Valves of the spathe oblonglanceolate, erect, two to two and a half inches long. Flowers four to five in an umbel, fragrant, pure white; ovary sessile; tube three to four inches long; segments ligulate, rotato-recurved, three to four inches long, one-fourth to three-eighths of an inch broad. Crown funnel-shaped, an inch deep exclusive of the teeth, which are deltoid, produced between the base of the stamens, bifid at the apex. Filaments an inch and a half to two inches long: anthers linear. Style declinate, overtopping the stamens.

Tab. 881.—1, leaf; 2, umbel of flowers: both natural size.—J. G. B.

This is a very showy plant when in flower, and well worth a place in any collection of bulbs. It thrives in a warm damp pit or stove when in the growing state, but when at rest it may be moved into a cooler and more airy situation, and supplied with less water: this treatment is necessary to mature the bulb. I procured my specimens from a sale at Mr. Stevens' Rooms. They were said to be from the Bahamas.—W. W. S.







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TAB, 332.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEÆ. Tribe AMARYLLEÆ. Genus Phycella, Lindley.

P. MACLEANICA (Baker). Bulbo ovoideo, foliis 2 anguste ligulatis scapo brevioribus carnosis glauco-viridibus 2—8 lin. latis facie canaliculatis, scapo tereti subpedali, spathæ valvis linearibus, umbellis 4—6-floris, pedicellis 1—1½ poll. longis, floribus rubris horizontalibus anguste infundibuliformibus, ovario turbinato, limbi 18—14 lin. longi segmentis oblanceolatis basi connatis, flore expanso dimidio superiore falcatis, staminibus inæqualibus 3 longioribus perianthio demum æquilongis, stylo exserto.

— Eustephia macleanica, Herbert, in Bot. Mag. sub. t. 8865 (nomen solum).

A native of Chili, imported to England long ago by Mr. Maclean, and now again lately from the Province of Mendoza by Mr. Reed.

Bulb ovoid, an inch and a half thick, with dark brown tunicated coats. Leaves two, one only fully developed with the flowers, shorter than the scape, fleshy, suberect, glaucous-green, two to three lines broad, bluntish, channelled down the face, rounded on the back. Scape terete, glaucous, about a foot high. Spathe with two outer linear valves and inner filiform ones at the base of each pedicel. Pedicels slender, an inch to an inch and a half long. Flowers horizontal, red, narrowly funnel-shaped, fourteen to fifteen lines long; ovary turbinate; segments oblanceolate, distinctly eight- to ten-nerved, connate at the base, connivent in the lower half, falcate in the upper half in the expanded flower. Stamens unequal, the three longest finally as long as the segments. Style slightly declinate, finally a little exserted.

Tab. 382.—1, pistil and stamens, natural size. 2, inner segment of perianth; 3, outer segment of perianth; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This Phycella will probably prove as hardy as P. ignea, which will thrive in a damp sheltered border in the open garden. I have as yet grown it in good turfy loam, in a pit just protected from severe frosts. Mr. E. C. Reed sent me bulbs of this plant from Mendoza, about three years since.—W. W. S.







Chlorophytum falcatum, Baker

TAB. 333.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ. Tribe AnthericeÆ. Genus Chlorophytum, R. Br.

C. FALCATUM (Baker). Foliis 6—8 arundinaceis anguste ligulatis erecto-falcatis 6—9 poll. longis ½—½ poll. latis glabris persistentibus, scapo gracillimo nudo 1—8 poll. longo, racemis laxissimis 6—12-floris plerisque simplicibus, floribus infimis geminatis, pedicellis medio articulatis demum cernuis, bracteis parvis duris lanceolato-cuspidatis, perianthio albido 2—2½ lin. longo, segmentis albis oblongo-lanceolatis flore expanso reflexis, genitalibus perianthio paulo brevioribus, capsulis obovoideo-quadratis acute angulatis, seminibus in loculo 8—6.—Phalangium falcatum, Wall. Cat. No. 5057. P. parviflorum, Wight Icones, t. 2089.

Extends from Guinea, whence the specimen drawn was procured, through Tropical Asia to Hong Kong and Borneo.

Root of numerous whitish fleshy fibres reaching three to four inches long. Leaves six to eight to a scape, grass-like in texture. narrow-ligulate, six to nine inches long, one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch broad at the middle, narrowed gradually to the point, erecto-falcate, quite glabrous, persistent, with six to eight fine immersed veins on each side of the midrib. Scape leafless, very slender, an inch to three inches long. Racemes very lax, six- to twelve-flowered, four to six or even twelve inches long, very rarely compound, the lowest flowers geninate. Bracts lanceolate-cuspidate, persistent, a line and a half to two lines long. Pedicels two to three lines long, articulated at the middle, finally cernuous. Flower evanescent, white, two to two and a half lines deep; the divisions oblong-lanceolate, reflexed when fully expanded. Stamens and filiform style falling a little short of the divisions. Capsule obovoid-quadrate, one-fourth of an inch broad and deep, membranous, deeply lobed horizontally, the angles acute. three to six in a cell, round, discoid, a line broad.

Tab. 833.—1, flower complete; 2, a stamen; 8, pistil; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

The figure of this plant was taken from a specimen which flowered in the Royal collection at Kew. It requires a stove treatment.—W. W. S.

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Albuca flaccida, Jacq.

TAB. 334.

Natural Order LILIACEÆ. Tribe Scilleæ. Genus Albuca, Linn.

A. FLACCIDA (Jacq. Coll. iv. p. 201; Icones, ii. 21, t. 444). Bulbo globoso fibris setosis copiosis coronato, foliis 5—6 linearibus glauco-viridibus 6—12 poll. longis primum suberectis demum flaccidis recurvatis, scapo flexuoso subpedali, racemo subsecundo laxe 6—8-floro, pedicellis 1—1½ poll. longis floriferis patentibus apice cernuis, floribus inodoris segmentis 9—10 lin. longis flavis dorso late viridibus, filamentis alternis sterilibus, stylo prismatico obverse pyramidato ovario subæquilongo, seminibus in loculo circiter 20.—Kunth. Enum. iv. 874.

A native of Cape Colony, extending northward to Delagoa Bay; our specimen gathered by Mr. Cooper.

Bulb globose, six to nine lines thick, crowned at the apex by a ring of persistent fibres. Leaves five to six, linear, glaucousgreen, one-fourth to half an inch broad, narrowed gradually to the point, reaching a foot long, at first suberect, but soon becoming flaccid and recurved from low down. Scape flexuose, reaching a foot long. Raceme laxly six- to eight-flowered, subsecund; the lower pedicels an inch to an inch aud a half long, spreading at the flowering time, cernuous at the point, afterwards erecto-patent. Bracts lanceolate, half to three-fourths of an inch long. Flowers inodorous, nutant, nine to ten lines long; the outer divisions pale yellow towards the edge, green down the back, slightly exceeding the inner ones. Alternate filaments sterile. Style obversely pyramidal, about as long as the ovary. Capsule ovoid, seven to eight lines long, with about twenty seeds in each cell.

Tab. 334.—1, whole plant, reduced; 2, leaves and raceme, natural size. 3, outer segment of perianth; 4, inner segment with stamen; 5, pistil and two castrate stamens; 6, fertile stamen; 7, barren stamen; 8, pistil: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This, like most other species of the genus Albuca, will thrive in a sheltered border, with slight protection in very severe weather, or a cool pit. Sandy loam and peat form a soil which suits the plant well, and, if kept moderately dry during the winter season, it will flower freely. I received my specimens from South Africa, collected by Mr. Thos. Cooper.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 335.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe SCILLEE. Genus Albuca. Linn.

A. TENUIFOLIA (Baker). Bulbo parvo ovoideo membranaceo-tunicato, foliis 6—9 filiformibus gracillimis saturate viridibus carnoso-herbaceis inconspicue glanduloso-punctatis dorso rotundatis facie canaliculatis, scapo foliis æquilongo, floribus 8—4 erectis laxe corymbosis, bracteis parvis lanceolatis, pedicellis erecto-patentibus 2—8 poll. longis, perianthii 8—9 lin. longi segmentis flavis dorso late viridibus, filamentis omnibus fertilibus, stylo prismatico obverse pyramidato ovario æquilongo.

A native of Cape Colony, discovered by Mr. M'Owan.

Bulb ovoid, half an inch thick, membranaceo-tunicated, not crowned with setose fibres. Leaves six to nine to a scape, filiform, half a foot long, scarcely more than half a line thick, suberect, round on the back, channelled on the face, bright green, glanduloso-papillose under a lens. Scape slender, four to six inches long. Flowers three to four in a lax corymb, erect. Pedicels erecto-patent, the lowest reaching three inches long. Bracts lanceolate, six to eight lines long. Perianth eight to nine lines deep; the divisions yellow, with a broad green band, the outer rather exceeding the connivent inner three. Stamens all fertile, but the alternate anthers much smaller. Style obversely pyramidal, equalling the ovary; the stigma just on a level with the top of the anthers.

Tab. 835.—1, portion of leaf; 2, pistil and stamens: both magnified. 3, capsule, natural size.—J. G. B.

This species of Albuca was sent to me by Mr. M'Owan, of Gill College, Somerset East, Cape of Good Hope, to whom I am very greatly indebted for this and many other very interesting South-African plants. It requires the same treatment as recommended for Albuca flaccida, Tab. 334.—W. W. S.







Albuca angolensis. Weir.

TAB. 336.

Natural Order LILIACEE.
Tribe Scillee.
Genus Albuca, Linn.
Sub-genus Pallastema, Salisb.

A. Angolensis (Welwitsch, Apont. Angol. p. 591.) Bulbo ovoideo magno membranaceo-tunicato, foliis pluribus suberectis lineari-loratis carnosis pallide viridibus 1½—2 pedes longis ad apicem acutum attenuatis, scapo 4—6-pedali, racemo subdenso multifloro cylindrico pedali-sesquipedali, pedicellis 8—6 lin. longis, bracteis lineari-lanceolatis floribus æquilongis vel excedentibus, perianthii 10—14 lin. longi segmentis flavis dorso viridibus æquilongis, staminibus omnibus fertilibus, filamentis filiformibus basi lanceolatis, stylo filiformi ovario ovoideo triplo longiori, stigmate capitato.

A native of Angola, discovered by Dr. Welwitsch, and, as will be seen from the plate and description, one of the most valuable additions that have been made for a long time to our stock of cultivated bulbous plants.

Bulb large, ovoid, coated with membranous tunics. Leaves about half a dozen to a scape, suberect, fleshy, pale green, reaching a foot and a half to two feet in length, an inch broad low down, narrowed gradually to an acute point. Scape terete, the height of a man in the wild plant, so that, Dr. Welwitsch says, walking in the wooded meadows where it grows, you have to look up to see the flowers. Racemes moderately close, cylindrical, a foot or even a foot and a half in length, three inches broad when expanded. Pedicels one-fourth to half an inch long. Bracts linear or lanceolate-cuspidate, equalling or protruding beyond the flowers. Lower flowers twelve to fourteen lines deep; the seqments yellow, with a broad green keel, all about equal in length, three to four lines broad; the upper flowers growing gradually smaller down to nine to ten lines. Stamens all fertile, the filaments filiform in the upper half, lanceolate in the lower half, valvately connivent at the base. Ovary ovoid, narrowed gradually into a filiform style half to five-eighths of an inch long. Stigma capitate.

Tab. 336.—1, pistil and stamens, natural size. 2, pistil, magnified. —J. G. B.

This remarkable plant is the discovery of the well-known traveller and botanist, Dr. F. Welwitsch, who kindly presented me with bulbs after his return from Angola. The plant is exceedingly interesting in a botanical point of view, and is also a tall and fine species of the genus Albuca. It thrives when treated as recommended for A. flaccida, Tab. 334.—W. W. S.





Sedum spathulifolium, Hook.

TAB. 337.

Natural Order CRASSULACE E. Genus Sedum. Linn.

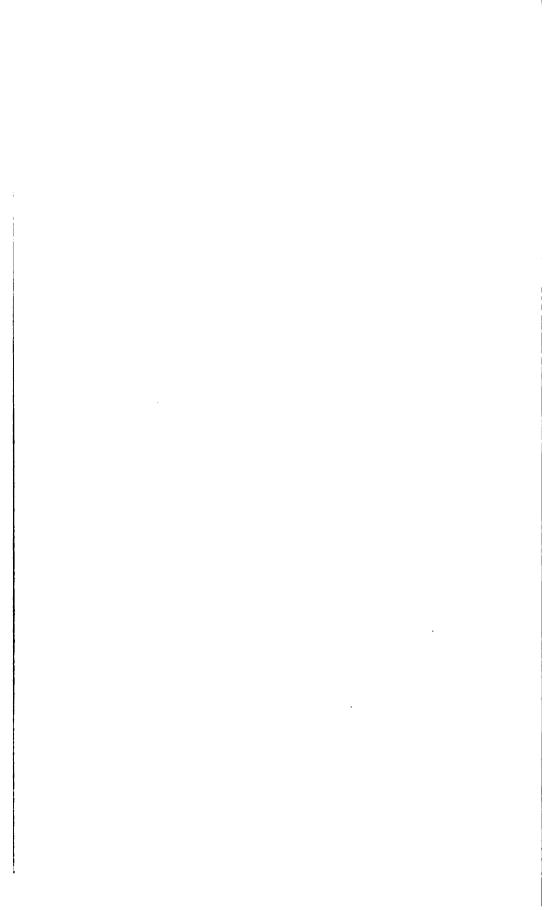
S. SPATHULIFOLIUM (Hook. Flor. Bor. Amer. i. 227). Breviter caulescens, ramis sterilibus dense foliatis, foliis oblongospathulatis sessilibus planis glabris subobtusis nitide viridibus, ramorum floriferorum similibus laxioribus, floribus scorpioideo-cymosis in paniculam thyrsoideam vel corymbosam dispositis, sepalis ligulatis obtusis basi in cupulam connatis, petalis luteis lanceolatis calyce triplo longioribus, staminibus 10 carpellis æquilongis petalis distincte brevioribus.—Torrey & Gray, Flor. N. Amer. i. 559.

A native of Oregon and California.

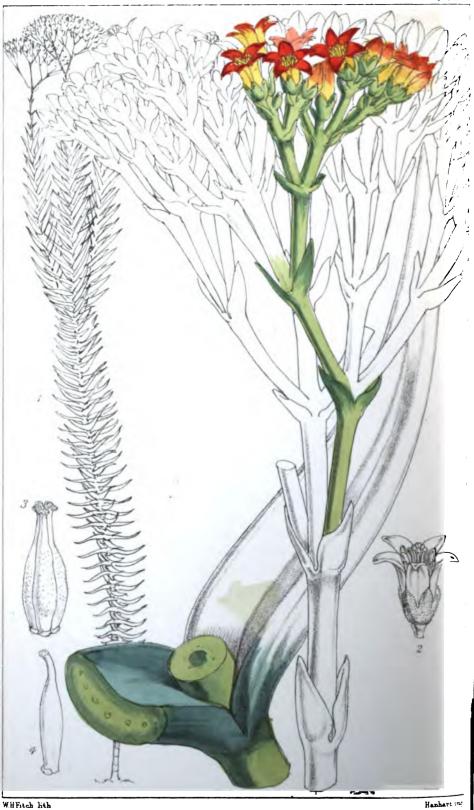
Shortly caulescent, the whole plant quite glabrous. Stems terete, the old ones half an inch thick, marked with the scars of the fallen leaves. Leaves crowded on the barren shoots, laxer but quite similar on the fertile ones, oblong-spathulate, an inch to an inch and a half long, bluntish, bright green, half to five-eighths of an inch broad above the middle, flattish on the face and back, narrowed into a distinct haft like those of an Echeveria, the young ones spreading, the old ones recurved. Flowers sessile, a quarter of an inch deep, arranged in copious close scorpioid cymes forming a corymbose thyrsoid panicle. Calyx a third as long as the petals, the blunt ligulate lobes united into a distinct cup at the base. Petals lanceolate, bright yellow. Stamens 10, like the carpels one-third shorter than the petals.

Tab. 837.—1, a single flower closed; 2, one opened: both magnified.—J. G. B.

This Sedum is an old inhabitant of the garden, and has much the appearance of a species of Echeveria. I do not know the source from which my plants were obtained. We treat it as a cool greenhouse plant. It grows freely in a light sandy soil, and should have but little water in the winter season.—W. W. S.







Crassula perfoliata, *Linn*

TAB. 338.

Natural Order CRASSULACEE. Genus CRASSULA. Linn.

C. PERFOLIATA (Linn. Sp. Plant. 404). Caule valido erecto simplici vel furcato, foliis crassis oppositis decussatis lanceolatis acuminatis griseis glabris ascendentibus rectis dorso teretibus facie leviter concavis, floribus pedicellatis in cymam magnam terminalem corymbosam trichotomiter furcatam dispositis, sepalis lanceolatis erectis pubescentibus basi connatis, petalis rubris lanceolatis calyce triplo longioribus, genitalibus inclusis.

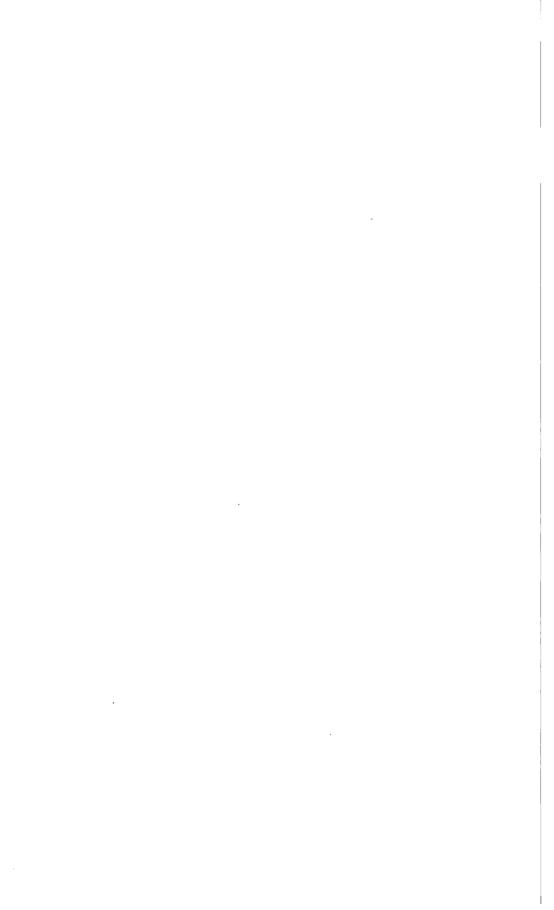
—Harv. Fl. Cap. ii. 898. Rochea perfoliata, DC. Prod. iii. 898.

A native of the Cape of Good Hope.

Stems terete, three to five feet high, simple or forked, leafy down nearly to the base, woody and reaching an inch in thickness in the lower part. Leaves in moderately close decussate pairs, distinctly connate at the base, lanceolate, narrowed gradually to a point, not at all oblique, five to six inches long, three-fourths to an inch broad, the upper ascending, one-fourth to three-eighths of an inch thick, dull gray-green, glabrous, rounded on the back, slightly concave on the face, with a raised rib down the middle. Flowers erect, shortly pedicellate, arranged in a close trichotomous corymbose cyme half a foot broad. Calyx one-eighth of an inch deep, densely pubescent; the divisions lanceolate, united in a distinct cup at the base. Petals bright red, lanceolate, three times as long as the calyx. Stamens and pistils both rather shorter than the petals.

Tab. 838.—1, the whole plant, reduced. 2, single flower; 8, the five carpels; 4, a single carpel: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This is another old inhabitant of my succulent house, growing several feet in height, and when in flower is a fine effective plant. It is not difficult to grow, if carefully treated and allowed light and air, and not too much water in the winter season. Leaves of the plant, laid on sand and kept moderately dry, soon show roots, and the plant can be easily increased in this manner.—
W. W. S.



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Grassula rubicunda, EMeyer

TAB. 339.

Natural Order CRASSULACEE. Genus CRASSULA, Linn.

C. RUBICUNDA (E. Meyer). Caule valido erecto simplici tripedali pubescente, foliis oppositis decussatis basi connatis lanceolatis acuminatis reflexis ciliatis, floribus pedicellatis in cymam dichotomam magnam terminalem sublaxam dispositis, sepalis lanceolatis ciliatis diutine ascendentibus, petalis lanceolatis rubris calyce sesqui longioribus, staminibus cum carpellis petalis distincte brevioribus, squamulis hypogymis minutis subquadratis.—Harv. Fl. Cap. ii. 341.

A native of Cape Colony, gathered by Mr. Cooper.

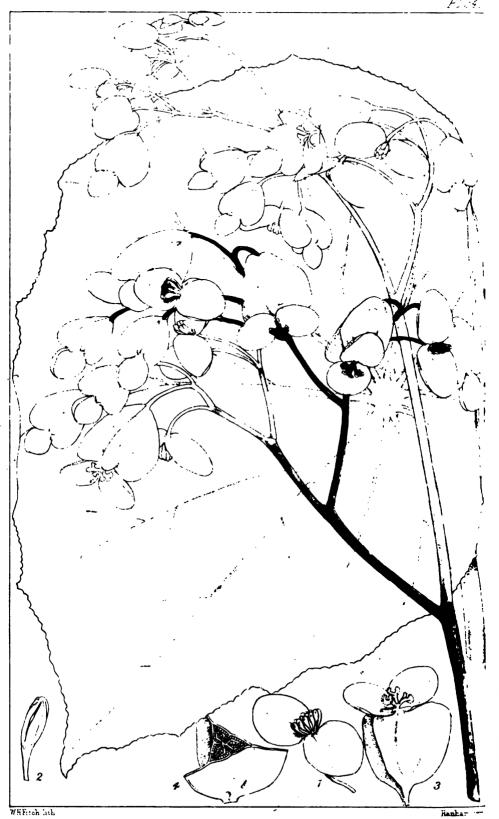
Stems terete, erect, pubescent, simple, reaching a height of three feet, leafy down to the base. Leaves in opposite pairs, clasping the stem and broadly connate at the base, lanceolate, green, reflexed, not thick for the genus, narrowed very gradually to a point, minutely ciliated, the lower ones six to eight inches long, the upper ones growing gradually laxer and smaller. Flowers one-fourth of an inch deep, pedicellate, forming a moderately close terminal dichotomous cyme half a foot to a foot across. Sepals lanceolate, distinctly ciliated, free to the base, permanently ascending in a cup. Petals lanceolate, bright red, half as long again as the calyx. Stamens and carpels nearly equal to one another, rather shorter than the corolla. Hypogynous scales minute, subquadrate.

Tab. 839.—1, the whole plant, reduced. 2, single flower; 8, a stamen; 4, the carpels: all magnified.—J. G. B.

Mr. Thos. Cooper sent me this plant from South Africa. It produces a large straggling head of crimson flowers. It will thrive, if treated as recommended for *Crassula perfoliata* (Tab. 338).—W. W. S.







Begonia sparsipila, Eaker

TAB. 340.

Natural Order Begoniaceæ. Genus Begonia, Linn. Section Gireoudia. A. DC.

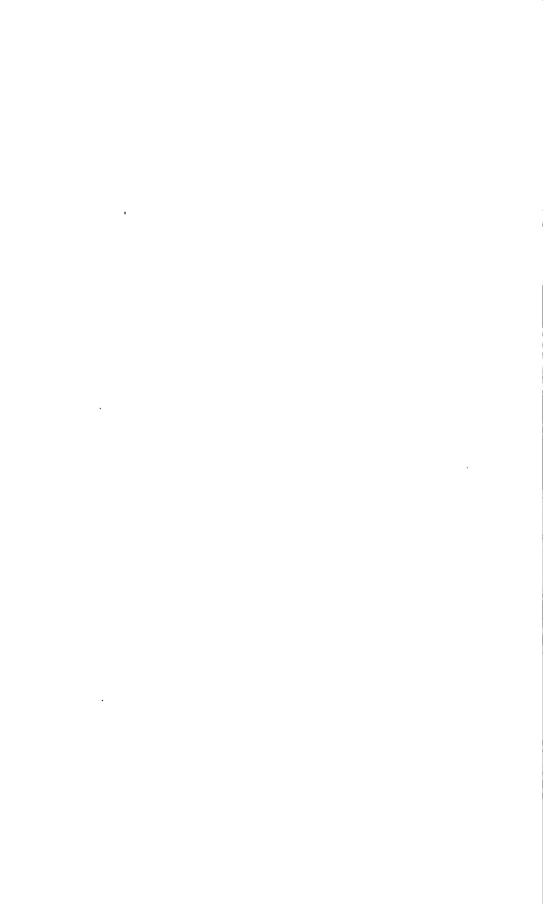
B. SPARSIPILA (Baker). Caulibus crassis elongatis cum petiolis pedunculis et facie inferiori foliorum pilis ferrugineis sparsis vestitis, petiolis crassis foliis brevioribus, foliis peltatis inæquilateraliter ovatis acutis subangulatis denticulatis carnosis modice crassis supra glabris viridibus, nervis 7—8 ex apice petioli radiantibus, floribus rubellis in corymbis bisexualibus dispositis, pedicellis cernuis elongatis, bracteis deciduis, floribus masculis segmentis 2 rotundatis, fœmineis segmentis 2 similibus, ovario angulis omnibus late alatis.

Probably a native of Central America.

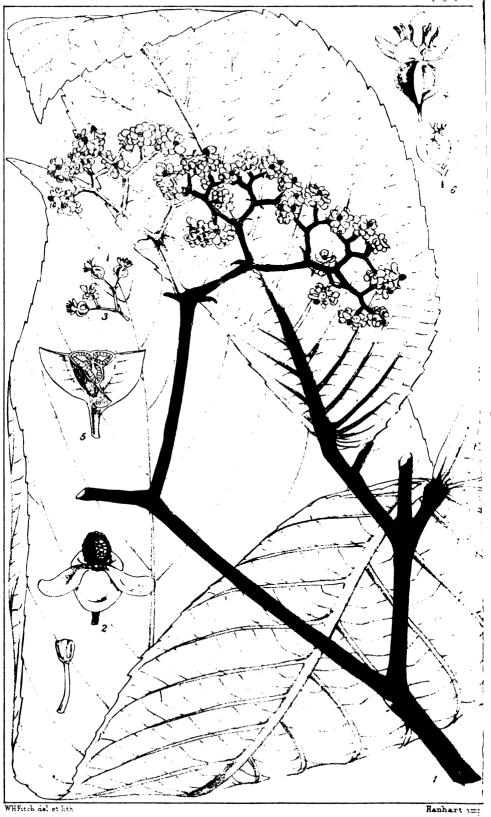
A close ally of B. pruinata (Tab. 247), but the leaves not nearly so thick, the flowers smaller, and the petiole, peduncle, and leaves below thinly coated with adpressed ferruginous hairs. Petiole a quarter of an inch thick. Leaves peltate, obliquely ovate, slightly angulato-repand, acute, eight to nine inches long, five to six inches broad, the petiole inserted below the middle and much nearer one side than the other, the seven to eight main veins radiating from the apex of the petiole, the texture fleshy and moderately thick, the upper surface glabrous and bright green, the lower glaucous with very minute close papilla. Flowers thirty to forty in lax terminal dichotomous bisexual corumbs half Pedicels drooping, half to three-fourths of an a foot across. inch long. Female flower with two roundish blunt pink sepals four to five lines long: style three-cleft nearly to the base: ovary three-fourths of an inch deep, with three subequal broad wings. Male flower with two precisely similar segments, the free stamens in a laterally flattened cluster.

Tab. 340.—1, male flower; 2, a single stamen; 3, a female flower; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This is a free-flowering and handsome-leaved species of Begonia. I am indebted to the Royal Gardens at Kew for my stock of this plant. It requires similar treatment to that recommended for Begonia conchifolia (Tab. 246).—W. W. S.







Begonia Hookeriana, Gardn.

TAB. 341.

Natural Order Begoniace E. Genus Begonia, Linn. Sub-genus Steineria, A. DC.

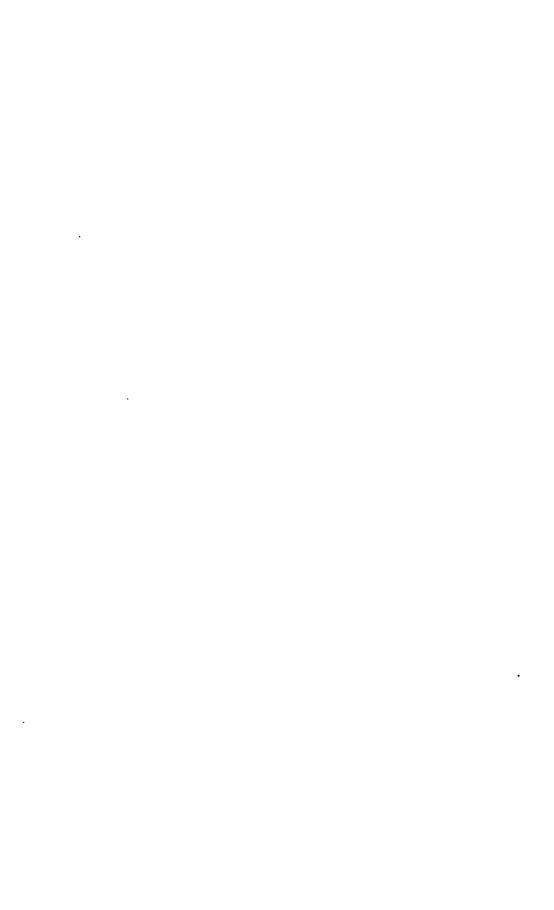
B. Hookeriana (Gardn. in Hook. Journ. iv. 185). Ramis lignosis petiolis pedunculis nervisque foliorum subtus pulvere brunneo vestitis, foliis breviter petiolatis subcoriaceis magnis acutis crenatis inæquilateraliter oblongis basi uno latere breviter cordatis altero truncato-cuneatis supra viridibus glabrescentibus, floribus copiosis minimis in cymas longe pedunculatas pluries dichotomiter furcatas sæpius unisexuales dispositis, floribus masculis sepalis 2 obovatis albidis reflexis, petalis 2 angustioribus, floribus fœmineis petalis et sepalis similibus ovario tomentello, capsula angulis tribus late subæqualiter alatis.—A. DC. Prod. xv. 877.

A native of the Organ Mountains, gathered by Gardner, Burchell, and others.

Stems woody, subscandent, reaching a height of five or six feet, angular, sulcate, clothed—like the petioles, pedicels, ovary and veins of the leaf beneath - with fine mealy cinnamon-brown tomentum. Stipules deciduous, ovate-lanceolate. Petiole an inch or less long. Leaves reaching a couple of feet long by a third as broad, subcoriaceous, scarcely at all fleshy, a rather dull green on the upper surface, free from tomentum when mature, pulverulent especially on the copious veins below, oblique-oblong narrowed suddenly to an acute point, crenate, cuneately cut away at the base on one side, shallowly cordate and produced on the other. Cymes long-stalked, usually unisexual, many times dichotomously forked, half a foot to a foot broad. Petals and sepals of male and female flowers similar, in both two in number, not more than one-eighth of an inch deep, obovate, milk-white, reflexed. Capsule under half an inch deep, the membranous veined subequal rounded wings a line and a half to two lines broad.

Tab. 841.—1, branch, natural size; 2, male flower, magnified; 8, corymb of female flowers, natural size. 4, simple female flower; 5, horizontal section of ovary: both magnified. 6, fruit, natural size.—J. G. B.

This plant has fine and peculiar foliage, but the flowers are very small for a *Begonia*, and most difficult to produce. Mr. D. Bowman sent it from Brazil, some years since; and although the plant grew freely, yet it has only quite recently flowered. It requires abundance of heat and moisture, and to be kept from the mid-day sun.—W. W. S.





Aster hispidus, Baker

TAB. 342.

Natural Order Compositæ.
Sub-order Asteroideæ.
Genus Aster, Linn.
Sub-genus Diplopappus. Cass.

A. HISPIDUS (Baker, non Thunb. Fl. Jap. 315). Caule herbaceo angulato scabro sæpissime monocephalo, foliis ad tertiam inferiorem caulis aggregatis linearibus vel lanceolatis acutis dentatis triplinervis rigide subcoriaceis sessilibus ascendentibus utrinque scaberrimis, involucri squamis firmis linearibus acuminatis scabris, acheniis applanatis marginatis scabris, pappo duplici, setis exterioribus minutis, interioribus elongatis ciliatis floribus tubulosis æquilongis. — Calendula hispida, Thunb. Fl. Cap. 704. Diplopappus asper, Less. Syn. 168; DC. Prodr. v. 276.

A native of Cape Colony and Natal.

A herbaceous perennial, with a wide-creeping rhizome. Stems half to one and a half foot high, ascending, angular, firm, sulcate, scabrous, usually with one head, rarely with two to four. Leaves aggregated upon the lower third of the stem, sessile, ascending, linear or lanceolate, two to four inches long, acute, distantly toothed, rigidly subcoriaceous, distinctly triplinerved, very rough on both sides, with raised points and short bristly hairs; upper half of stem with only two or three much reduced linear bractlike leaves. Involucre campanulate, composed of two or three rows of firm linear acuminate scabrous subequal phyllaries. Heads an inch and a half to two inches broad, all the florets hermaphrodite and perfect. Achenes gray, flattened, scabrous, margined with a distinct border. Disk-florets yellow; ray-florets twenty to thirty, purple. Pappus double, the bristles of the outer row very minute, of the inner rigid, elongated, distinctly ciliated.

Tab. 342.—1, disk-flower; 2, single stamen; 8, stigmas of disk-flower; 4, ray-flower; 5, its stigmas; 6, bristle of pappus: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A somewhat peculiar and straggling species of Aster. It is treated as a cool greenhouse plant in my garden, but it will stand the climate of a mild winter in this country out of doors, as I have ascertained by occasionally leaving a plant or two in the open borders. I am indebted to Mr. Daniel Hanbury for my stock of this plant.—W. W. S.







Kleinia neriifolia, Haw

TAB. 343.

Natural Order Compositæ. Sub-order Senecionideæ. Genus Kleinia, *Linn*.

K. NERIFOLIA (Haworth, Pl. Succ. 812). Frutex orgyalis erecta glaberrima dichotomiter ramosa, ramulis crassis teretibus carnosis albo-pruinosis cicatricosis, foliis prope apicem ramulorum sublaxe spiraliter dispositis oblanceolatis integerrimis carnosis pallide viridibus subpetiolatis, pedunculis ex apice ramulorum brevibus pluribus strictis, capitulis 6—8-floris corymbosis, involucri cylindrici squamis 5 coriaceis ligulatis valvatis paucis minutis basalibus, acheniis glaberrimis, pappo longissimo. — DC. Prodr. vi. 888. Cacalia Kleinia, Linn. Sp. Plant. 1168; DC. Plant. Grass. t. 12. Senecio Kleinia, Schultz, Bip. Phyt. Can. ii. 821.

A native of the Canaries.

Stem shrubby, dichotomously branched from the very base, reaching the height of man or more. Branches terete, the main ones two to three inches in diameter, marked with the round or oblong scars of the fallen leaves: the ultimate branchlets rather fleshy. very glaucous, half an inch thick. Leaves thirty to forty, placed spirally upon the top three or four inches of the branches. oblanceolate, entire, fleshy, pale green, subacute, four to eight inches long, half to three-fourths of an inch broad above the middle, subacute, narrowed gradually downwards into a sort of petiole, paler and subglaucous below, the veins immersed. Flowers in dense corymbs on short stiff peduncles, several of which issue from the tip of each branch. Involucre cylindrical. half to five-eighths of an inch long, composed of five ligulate coriaceous scales, with a few minute ones external to these at the very base. Corolla three-fourths of an inch long, with a long slender tube, expanded at the apex into a shortly-toothed funnelshaped limb. Achenes cylindrical, four to four and a half lines long, vertically ribbed, glabrous. Pappus five-eighths of an inch long, of very numerous subrigid slender white bristles easily breaking off at the base.

Tab. 848.—1, disk-flower; 2, ray-flower; 8, stigmas; 4, bristle of pappus: all magnified.—J. G. B.

I have grown this plant for many years, giving it cool green-house treatment. If allowed plenty of pot-room, or, if planted in the border, it soon grows rapidly, and eventually becomes a large rather compact shrub, very remarkable in appearance on account of its thick succulent vertical branches. I have never succeeded in flowering the plant, and I am indebted to Mr. D. Hanbury for an opportunity of figuring it in the flowering state. —W. W. S.

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Cineraria alchemilloides, D.C.

TAB. 344.

Natural Order Compositæ. Sub-order Senecionideæ. Genus Cineraria. Linn.

C. ALCHEMILLOIDES (DC. Prod. vi. 807). Caulibus erectis debilibus furcatis cum pedunculis petiolis et facie inferiori foliorum albo-araneoso-canescentibus, foliis petiolatis reniformibus cordatis teneris leviter palmatim 5—9-fidis dentatis supra viridibus glabris, corymbo laxo polycephalo pedicellis elongatis, involucri squamis 9—10 ligulatis acutis dorso glabrescentibus, ligulis 7—8 flavis, acheniis applanatis glabris papilloso-ciliatis, pappi setis albis mollibus elongatis.—Harv. Fl. Cap. iii. 810.

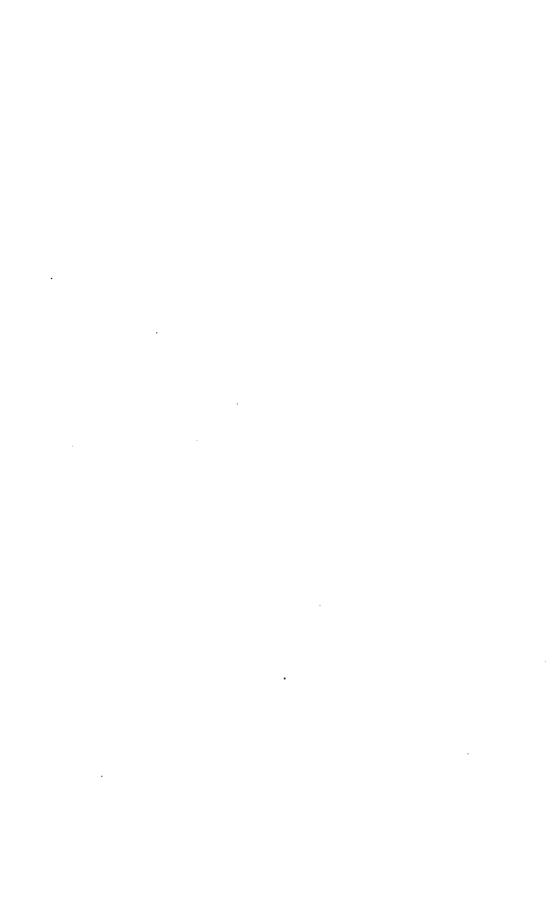
A native of Cape Colony, sent by Dr. Callaway to Mr. D. Hanbury.

An erect herbaceous perennial, two to three feet high, with slender forked stems thinly coated with white floccose pubescence. Stipules in our plant abortive. Petioles half an inch to two inches long. Leaves cordate-reniform, with five to nine shallow palmate lobes which are furnished with irregular broad teeth: the texture thin and flaccid; the upper surface green, glabrescent; the lower side densely at first, thinly when mature, coated with white floccose hairs like those of the stem. Heads numerous. laxly corymbose, on weak cottony peduncles, furnished with one or two minute linear adpressed bracts. Involucral scales nine to ten, placed edge to edge, green, glabrescent on the back, with a distinct pale border. Expanded heads nearly an inch across. Ray-florets female, only seven to eight, bright yellow. Achenia flattened, brown, glabrous, ciliated with white papillose hairs. Pappus a tuft of soft pure white ciliated hairs as long as the florets of the disk.

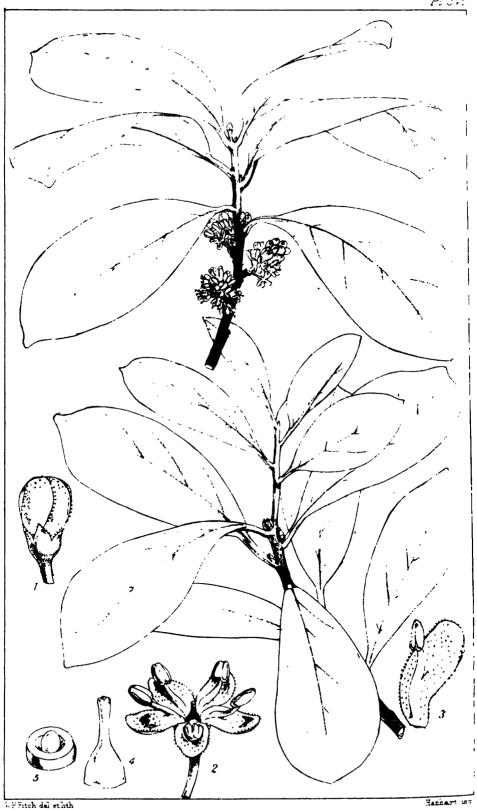
Our plant differs from C. alchemilloides by the absence of stipules, but it is likely that this is accidental only, and that C. erodioides, DC., is simply another state of the same species.

Tab. 844.—1, single flower; 2, stamen; 8, portion of receptacle; 4, stigmas: all magnified. 5, fruit, natural size. 6, bristle of pappus; 7, fruit: both magnified.—J. G. B.

I am indebted to Mr. D. Hanbury for this interesting South African plant. It requires the greenhouse, and is of very easy culture, requiring only to be liberally supplied with water and kept from the frost. It should be potted in good turfy loam. It flowers freely, but has no claim to be an ornamental plant. W. W. S.







Embeha Kraussii, Harv

TAB. 345.

Natural Order MYRSINEE. Genus Embelia, Burm.

E. Kraussi, Harv. Thes. Cap. ii. p. 17, t. 127 (1863)! Frutex glaber, subscandens; foliis obovato-ellipticis, duplo longioribus quam latis, apice breviter et abrupte acuminatis, basi angustatis, integerrimis, submembranaceis, breviter petiolatis; floribus 4—5-(sæpius 5)-meris, hermaphroditis seu polygamis, in racemis lateralibus densioribus foliis multo brevioribus dispositis; lobis calycinis deltoideis, acutis; petalis oblongis vel oblanceolatis, patentibus, æstivatione imbricatis nec contortis.—Celastrus oleoïdes, Hochst. in pl. Krauss, n. 407, non Lam. Choripetali spec., Harv. in Hook. Lond. Journ. Bot. i. p. 22.

A native of Natal. Dr. Krauss.

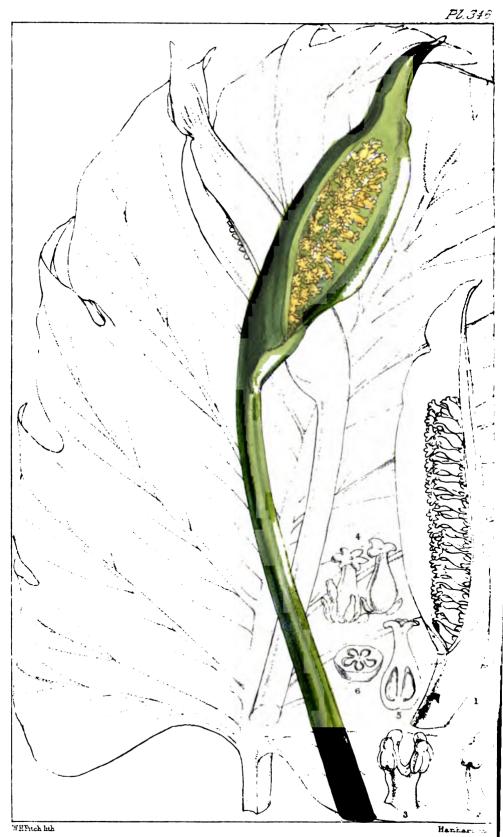
A lax semi-scandent shrub, with smooth terete branches. glabrous all over except the inflorescence. Leaves obovateelliptic, suddenly and shortly acuminate, narrowed from above the middle gradually towards the base, quite entire, firmly submembranous, spreading, of a bright green colour on both sides. an inch and a half to three inches long by three-fourths to an inch and a quarter wide; petiole one-sixth to one-third of an inch long; lateral veins obscure, pellucid, making an acute angle with the midrib. Flowers hermaphrodite or polygamous, four to five (usually five)-merous, tinged with pale green, about a quarter of an inch across, glandular, arranged in short rather dense lateral racemes; calux small, with deltoid acute lobes; petals oblong or oblanceolate, spreading, imbricated (quincuncial when five) but not contorted: stamens adnate to the petals below the middle, glabrous: filaments erect-patent, rather shorter than the petals; ovary one-celled, with one or two basal ovules, frequently abortive.-W. P. Hiern.

Tab. 845. — 1, flower closed; 2, flower opened; 3, single petal, with stamens; 4, pistil; 5, section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

I received the seeds of this plant, many years since, from Natal; I think from Mr. Plant, but I am not certain. The only specimen I have, which is a very inconspicuous half-climbing shrub, came from this seed. It seems to thrive in a warm greenhouse, training the branches near the glass.—W. W. S.







Gamochlamys heterandra, Baker.

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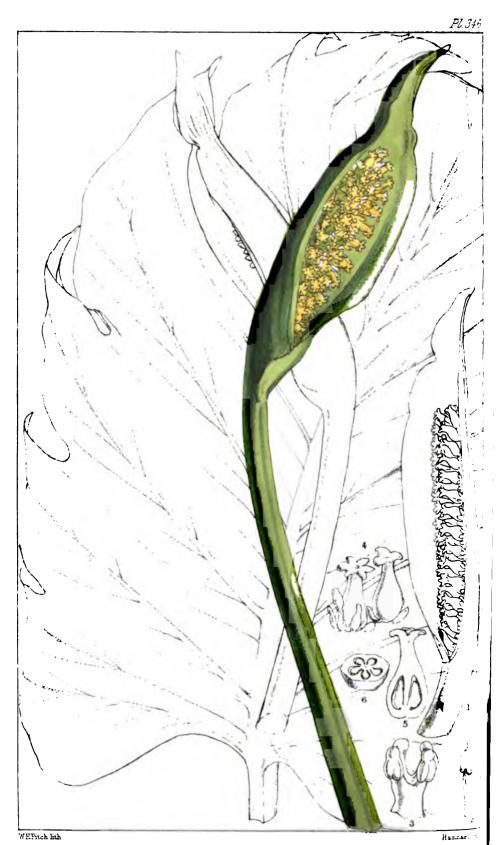
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Gamochlamys heterandra, Baker.

TAB. 346.

Natural Order Aroideæ. Sub-order Diclines. Tribe Spathicarpeæ.

Genus Gamochiamys (Baker). Spadix ad spatham dorso per totam longitudinem adnatus. Flores fæminei exteriores. Ovarium sessile infundibuliforme 4—7-loculare staminodiis cinctum, loculis uniovulatis, ovulis ascendentibus, stigmate peltato stellatim 4—7-lobato. Stamina fertilia inter flores fæmineos per dimidiam superiorem spadicis imposita, antherarum loculis longitudinaliter dehiscentibus connectivo carnoso producto coronatis, filamentis crassis carnosis liberis vel pluribus inter sesse connatis.

G. HETERANDRA (Baker). Species sola.

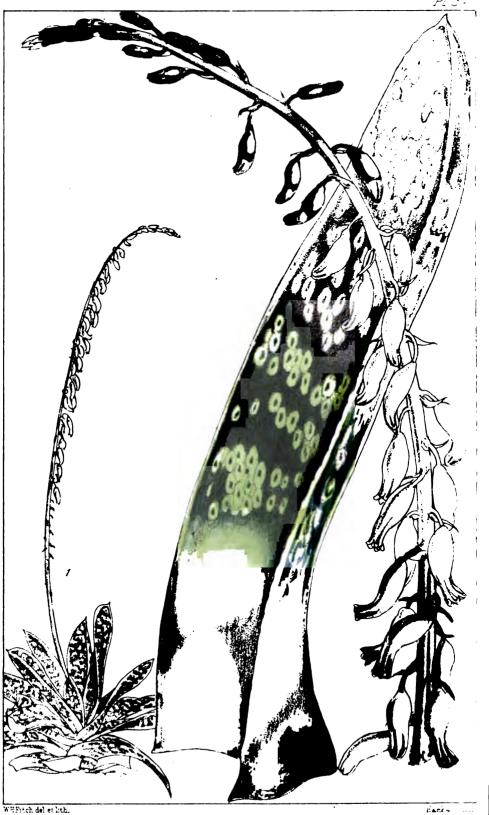
A native of Africa.

Rootstock bearing a solitary leaf which is developed before the spathe. Petiole two feet long, channelled down the face in the upper part, rounded on the back. Blade cordate-ovate, bright green, glabrous, rather fleshy in texture, a foot long, eight to nine inches broad, deeply pinnatifid; the divisions acute; the veining pinnate, without any intramarginal line; both primary and secondary branches erecto-patent. Peduncle rather shorter than the petiole, firm, erect, subterete. Spathe green, fleshy, boatshaped, acute, four to five inches long, the margins edge to edge permanently in the lower part. Spadix half as long as the spathe, adnate to it through its whole length, bearing about thirty female flowers, which consist of an ovary surrounded by imperfect stamens. Ovary flask-shaped, with four to seven cells, each containing a single ovule ascending from the inner side at the base: the peltate stigma with as many lobes as the ovary has cells. Fertile stamens placed in a row in the midst of the female flowers on the upper half of the spadix; the filaments of some free to the base, of others confluent, four or five together; the longitudinally dehiscing anthers crowned by the produced fleshy connective.

Tab. 346.—1, vertical section of inflorescence, natural size. 2, free stamen; 3, bundle of connate stamens; 4, pistils surrounded by staminodia; 5, vertical section of ovary; 6, horizontal section of ovary; all magnified.—J. G. B.

I am indebted to Major Trever Clarke for this remarkable new Aroid. It is said to be from Africa, but from what part I do not know. The plant thrives when placed in quite a cool house during the winter, when it should have but little water. The soil should be turfy loam. It has not perfected seeds with me, but produces offsets from the root, by which it can be freely propagated.—W. W. S.





Gasteria variolosa Baker

TAB. 347.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe ALOINEE. Genus GASTERIA. Duval.

G. VARIOLOSA (Baker). Foliis 15—18 congestis spiraliter distichis obliquis ligulato-lanceolatis 8—9 poll. longis 15—18 lin. latis subobtuse cuspidatis utrinque lævibus obscure viridibus maculis immersis copiosis parvis oblongis albidis confluentibus instructis marginibus sursum albo-cartilagineis leviter erosis, scapo cum racemo simplici æquilaterali 2½—8-pedali, bracteis linearibus pedicellis infimis æquilongis, perianthio 9-lineari valde curvato tubo cylindrico globo oblongo æquilongo.

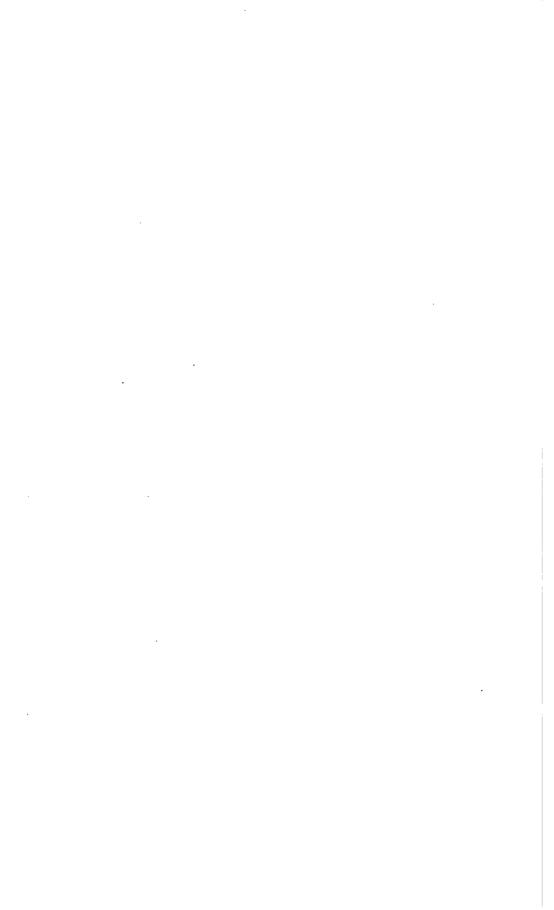
A native of Algoa Bay, gathered by Mr. Cooper.

Leaves fifteen to eighteen in a congested sessile spirally distichous rosette, ligulate-lanceolate, eight to nine inches long, an inch and a half broad above the dilated base, narrowed gradually to an inch a little below the bluntly cuspidate tip, three-eighths to half an inch thick, obliquely twisted, the edge white and horny in the upper half, slightly eroded, the surfaces smooth, dull green, densely spotted with copious immersed small oblong whitish green blotches; the inner leaves ascending, the outer spreading. Scape simple, two and a half to three feet long inclusive of the raceme. Raceme equilateral, moderately close. Lower pedicels drooping, one-fourth to three-eighths of an inch long. Bracts linear, as long as the lower pedicels. Perianth three-fourths of an inch long, much curved; ball oblong, four lines thick; tube as long as the ball, with blunt segments reaching a third of the way down.

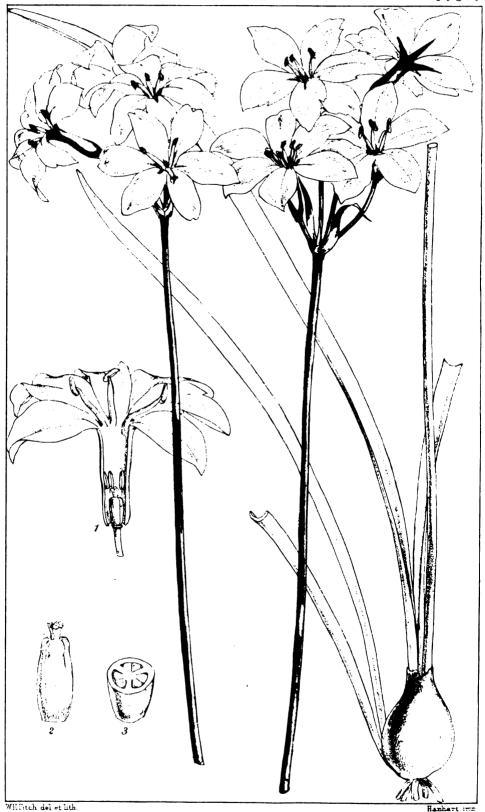
Closely allied to G. maculata, with which it agrees in inflorescence and perianth, but differing in the shape and arrangement of the leaves.

Tab. 847.—1, whole plant, reduced.—J. G. B.

This is a distinct species of Gasteria, although much resembling other species of the genus. I obtained it from South Africa, through the exertions of Mr. Thos. Cooper. It should be treated as recommended for Gasteria planifolia (Tab. 162). — W. W. S.







Leucocoryne ixioides, Lindl.

TAB. 348.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe MILLEE. Genus Leucocoryne. Lindl.

L. IXIODES (Lindley, Bot. Reg. sub. t. 1298). Bulbo ovoideo, foliis paucis synanthiis anguste lorato-linearibus 9—12 poll. longis 1½—2 lin. latis, scapo fragili tereti 1—1½-pedali, umbellis 8—12-floris, pedicellis spathæ valvis linearibus longioribus, perianthio 12—15 lin. longo, segmentis oblongis acutis albis purpureo tinctis tubo æquilongis, staminodiis segmentis 2—8-plo brevioribus. — Baker, Linn. Journ. xi. 874. L. odorata, Lindl. Bot. Reg. t. 1298.

A native of Chili and the mountains of Peru.

Bulb ovoid, brown-tunicated, half to three-fourths of an inch thick. Leaves three to four, cotemporary with the flowers, linearlorate, three-fourths of a foot to a foot long, a line and a half to two lines broad, acute, channelled down the face, evanescent. Scape terete, slender, erect, a foot to a foot and a half high. Valves of the spathe linear, membranous. Umbels three- to twelve-flowered. Pedicels ascending, an inch to an inch and a half long. Perianth an inch to an inch and a quarter long, the tube as long as the divisions, which are white more or less tinged with purple, oblong, acute, two and a half to three lines broad, spreading horizontally, or rather reflexed when fully expanded. Stamens three, with very short filaments, inserted below the middle of the tube. Staminodia spur-like, inserted at the throat of the tube, much shorter than the seaments, sometimes—as in the specimens drawn—abnormally bearing anthers and sometimes six in number. Ovary sessile, with a very short style; the stigma on a level with the anthers down in the perianth-tube.

Tab. 848.—1, section of abnormal flower, with the staminodia-producing anthers; 2, pistil; 8, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A free-flowering bulb, producing white flowers tinged with purple. It requires the same treatment as *Triteleia conspicua* (Tab. 43). I received the plant from Mr. E. Reed, procured by him near Santiago de Chili.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 349.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe AGAPANTHEE. Genus Tulbaghia. Linn.

T. ALLIACEA (Thunb. Prodr. Fl. Cap. 60). Foliis 5—6 glauco-viridibus suberectis linearibus 12—18 poll. longis 4—6 lin. latis, scapo tereti foliis longiori, umbellis 6—10-floris, spathæ valvis lanceolatis pedicellis cernuis brevioribus, perianthio viridi 6—7 lin. longo, segmentis lanceolatis reflexis tubo æquilongis, corona rubro-brunnea 2 lin. longa apice erosa-dentata, antheris ad dimidiam inferiorem coronæ sessilibus biseriatis, ovario cum stylo tubo æquilongo. — Baker, Linn. Journ. xi. 871.

A native of Cape Colony and Natal.

Root of fleshy fibres. Leaves about half a dozen, suberect, fleshy, glaucous-green, linear, twelve to eighteen inches long, three-eighths to half an inch broad, narrowed to a point, channelled down the face. Scape terete, exceeding the leaves, mottled with purple near the base. Valves of the spathe lanceolate, an inch long. Flowers six to ten to an umbel, on cernuous pedicels an inch to an inch and a half long. Perianth green, half to five-eighths of an inch long; the tube two to two and half lines thick; the lanceolate segments nearly or quite as long as the tube, reflexed when fully expanded. Corona fleshy, red-brown, two lines deep, faintly toothed at the top. Anthers sessile, in a double row inside the lower half of the crown. Ovary with style and capitate stigma not exserted beyond the perianth-tube.

Tab. 849.—1, single flower; 2, section of flower; 8, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This is an interesting species, with flowers well marked by having the coronal cup crimson-brown. It grows freely and flowers well, planted in light sandy soil, and only requires the protection of a cool greenhouse or frame. It is easily increased by offsets. My stock of this plant I obtained from South Africa, through the exertions of Mr. Thos. Cooper.—W. W. S.







Ornithogalum scilloides, Jacq.

TAB. 350.

Natural Order LILIACEE.
Tribe SCILLEE.
Genus Ornithogalum, Linn.
Sub-genus Urophyllon, Salisb.

O. SCILLOIDES (Jacq. Hort. Schoen. t. 88). Bulbo magno globoso, foliis 5—6 synanthiis lorato-lanceolatis pedalibus vel sesquipedalibus viridibus carnosis ad apicem sensim angustatis, scapo valido tereti 1½—2-pedali, racemo denso ½—1-pedali, pedicellis ascendentibus 5—6 lin. longis, bracteis linearibus ante anthesin comosis, perianthio ½—unciali segmentis oblongis subacutis albis anguste distincte viridi vittatis, filamentis subæqualibus linearibus perianthio subduplo brevioribus, stylo ovario æquilongo.—Kunth, Enum. iv. 858.

A native of Cape Colony, gathered by Mr. Cooper.

Bulb globose, brown-tunicated, two to three inches thick. Leaves five or six, cotemporary with the raceme, lorate-lanceolate, a foot to a foot and a half long, an inch and a quarter to an inch and a half broad, clasping round the scape at the base, nearly flat in the upper half, bright green, fleshy, falcate, narrowed gradually to an acute point. Scape firm, terete, a foot and a half to two feet long. Raceme dense, half a foot to a foot long, eighteen to twenty-one lines broad when expanded. Pedicels ascending, the lower ones three-eighths to half an inch long. Bracts linear, exceeding the pedicels, protruded beyond the buds before the racemes expand. Perianth half an inch long, the divisions oblong, subacute, white, with a distinct few-nerved narrow green keel. Filaments subequal, rather flattened, half as long as the segments. Style as long as the oblong deeply sulcate sessile ovary.

Tab. 850.—1, stamens and pistil; 2, pistil: both magnified.—
J. G. B.

This plant has spikes of greenish white flowers, which are very freely produced. It requires similar treatment to Ornithogalum caudatum (Tab. 262).—W. W. S.







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TAB. 351.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe ALLIEE. Genus Nothoscordum. Kunth.

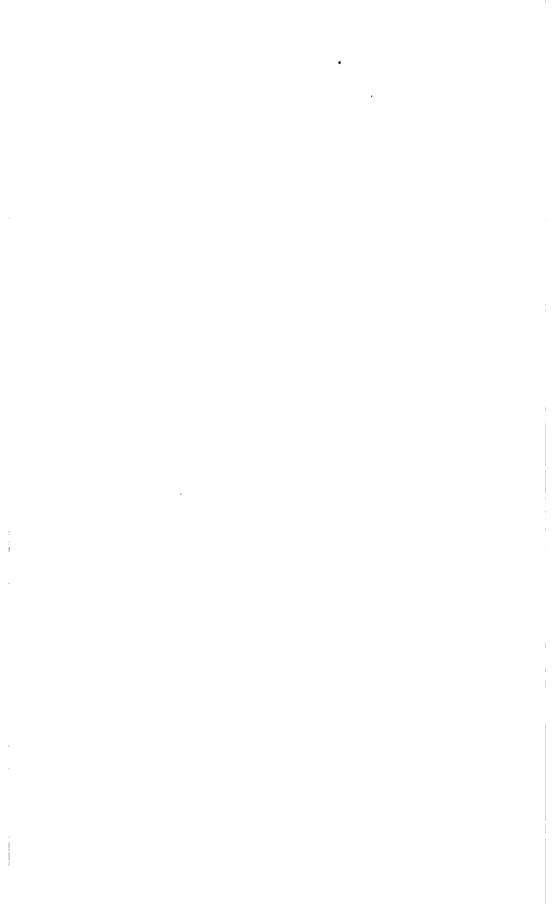
N. FLAVESCENS (Kunth, Enum. iv. 459). Bulbo ovoideo, foliis 3—4 synanthiis anguste linearibus viridibus dorso convexis subpedalibus 1½ lin. latis, scapo foliis æquilongo vel superante, umbellis 6—8-floris, spathæ valvis linearibus pedicellis multo brevioribus, perianthio semiunciali, segmentis oblongis subobtusis sulphureis distincte viridi vittatis basi breviter connatis, filamentis cylindricis perianthio triplo brevioribus, stylo ovario æquilongo, loculis 5—6-ovulatis.

A native of Chili, sent to England in a living state by Mr. Reed.

Bulb ovoid, tunicated, under an inch thick. Leaves three or four, developed with the flowers, soon fading, bright green, fleshy, a foot long, one-eighth of an inch broad, convex down the back. Scape slender, terete, equalling or overtopping the leaves. Flowers six to eight in an umbel. Spathe of two lanceolate membranous valves under an inch long. Pedicels one-fourth of an inch to an inch and a half long, suberect. Perianth half an inch deep, the divisions united in a short cup at the base, spreading from the top of this nearly horizontally when fully expanded, oblong, bluntish, one-eighth of an inch broad, sulphur-coloured, with a distinct green keel. Filaments distinctly perigynous, uniseriate, one-eighth of an inch long. Ovary sessile, oblong, deeply trisulcate; ovules five or six in a cell; style filiform, one-eighth of an inch long.

Tab. 851.—1, a single flower; 2, single stamen; 8, pistil; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A species producing small pale cream-coloured flowers of no great beauty. It thrives in a cool pit or greenhouse, when potted in a light sandy soil. Mr. C. Reed sent me this plant from Chili.—W. W. S.







Chlorogalum Bowkeri, Baker.

TAB. 352.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe AnthericeE. Genus Chlorophytum, R. Br.

C. Bowkeri (Baker). Foliis radicalibus 6—8 lorato-lanceolatis ultra pedem longis 1½ poll. latis viridibus carnosis falcatis ad apicem angustatis, caule subpedali foliis 1—2 bracteiformibus instructo, racemo simplici denso subpedali, pedicellis ascendentibus brevibus medio articulatis sæpe geminatis, bracteis lineari-subulatis, perianthio semiunciali segmentis albis late vittatis, carinà nervis 4—5 parallelis instructa, filamentis filiformibus perianthio triplo brevioribus, ovarii loculis 20—30-ovulatis, stylo declinato ovario duplo longiore.

A native of the North-eastern district of Cape Colony, sent to England in a living state by Mr. Bowker.

Root of thick fleshy fibres. Leaves six to eight in a basal rosette, lorate-lanceolate, a foot to a foot and a quarter long, an inch and a half broad at the base, narrowed gradually to the point, channelled down the face in the lower half, fleshy, bright green, recurved, the veins immersed. Stem terete, a foot high, bearing one or two much-reduced bract-like leaves. Raceme simple, close, a foot long, an inch and a quarter broad when expanded. Pedicels much ascending, articulated at the middle, the lower in pairs, a quarter of an inch long. Bracts linearsubulate, scariose, half to three-fourths of an inch long. Perianth tender, pure white, half an inch long; the segments spreading horizontally when expanded, oblong, bluntish, with a broad keel down the centre containing four or five close distinct parallel nerves. Stamens hypogynous; filaments filiform, two lines long; anthers basifixed. Ovary oblong, sessile, with twenty to thirty ovules in each cell; style very declinate, filiform, twice as long as the ovary.

Tab. 852.—1, a single flower; 2, pistil; 3, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

The figure of this plant is taken from a specimen which flowered in the Royal Gardens at Kew. I am indebted to my friend Dr. Hooker, the Director of that noble establishment, for the opportunity of placing this interesting plant, and the *Dracana latifolia*, which immediately follows, in the 'Refugium.'—W. W. S.







Dracæna latifolia, Regel.

TAB. 353.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Tribe ASPARAGEE. Genus Dracena. Vand.

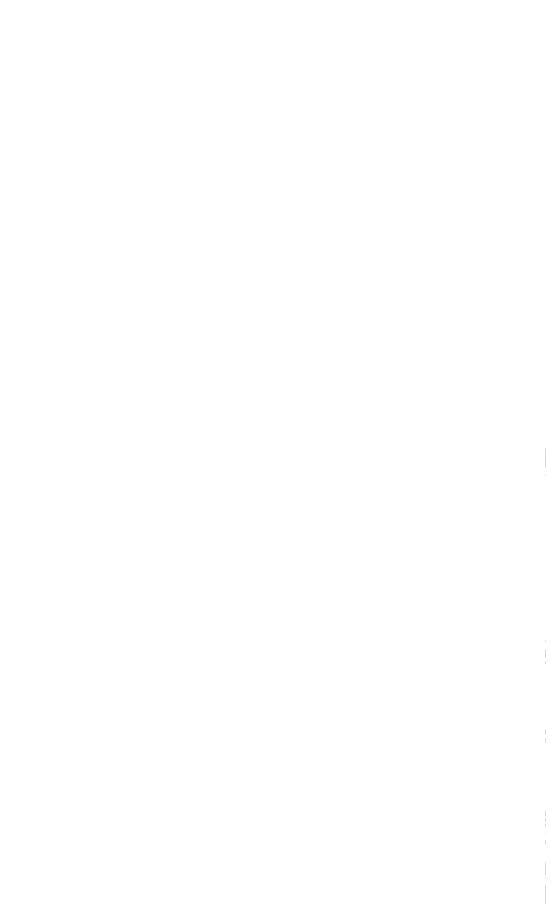
D. LATIFOLIA (Regel, Revis. p. 41). Caule fruticoso simplici, foliis 40—50 dense rosulatis ligulatis coriaceo-carnosis reflexis bipedalibus sessilibus 8—4 poll. latis viridibus obscure maculatis distincte hyalino marginatis carinà lata ab dorso solum perspicua, floribus geminatis vel ternatis pedicellatis in paniculam amplam deltoideam dispositis, perianthio viridi 12—15 lin. longo, segmentis tubo sequilongis, staminibus inclusis, stigmate exserto.

A native of South Africa.

Stem erect, simple, reaching the height of a vard in the finest specimen seen, and a thickness of three inches. Leaves forty to fifty in a dense rosette at the summit of the stem, ligulate. coriaceo-carnose, acute, much recurved, two feet long, three to four inches broad at the middle, narrowed to two inches above the base, bright green faintly mottled with paler spots, bordered by a distinct hyaline margin, the broad midrib distinctly visible only from below. Flowers very fragrant, in a sessile deltoid panicle two feet high, with ten or a dozen erecto-patent branches subtended by reduced leaves, in twos or threes together, on pedicels one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch long, subtended by small lanceolate membranous bracts. Perianth tubular, green, an inch to an inch and a quarter long; divisions ligulate, as long as the tube. Stamens uniscripte, from the throat of the tube, rather shorter than the segments. Ovary with three uniovulate cells; style filiform; stigma capitate, three-lobed, slightly exserted. Fruit a large deeply three-lobed berry.

Tab. 353.—1, whole plant, much reduced. 2, leaf; 3, portion of panicle: both natural size. 4, single flower; 5, pistil: both magnified.—J. G. B.

This fine plant has flowered at Hillfield, and I have grown it for some years. The figure, however, is from a plant in the Royal Gardens at Kew. A warm greenhouse treatment, with a liberal supply of water, and not exposed to the sun, suits the plant well. It should be potted in good loam and leaf-mould, and, as it ripens its seeds freely, there is no difficulty in propagating it. Mr. Thos. Cooper sent me this plant from South Africa, where he states it is found in shady woods, and in no other situation.—W. W. S.







Anticlea Fremontii, Torrey

TAB. 354.

Natural Order LILIACEE. Sub-order MELANTHACEE. Genus Anticlea. Kunth.

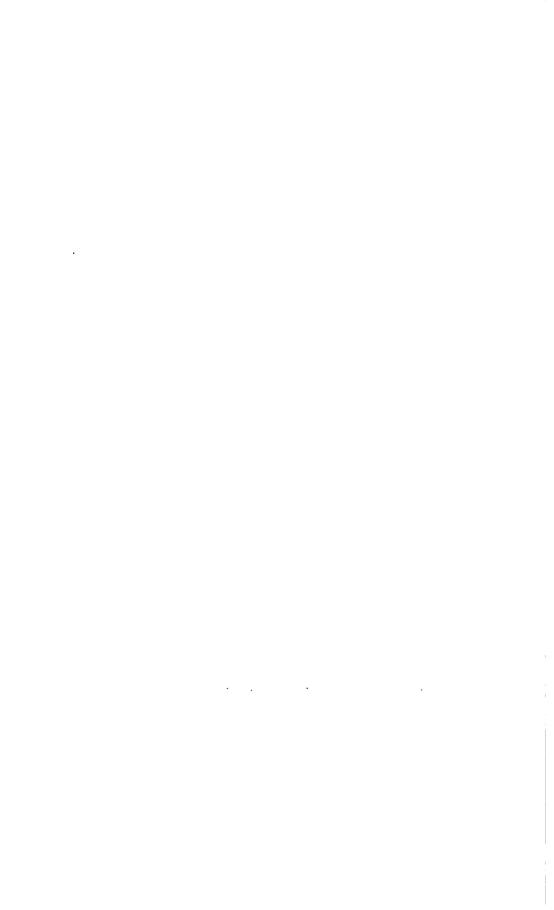
A. Fremontii (Torrey, Pac. R. R. Surv. iv. 149). Bulbo ovoideo tunicato, foliis linearibus viridibus arundinaceo-carnosis glabris 1—2 pedes longis 8—4 lin. latis, caule 1—2-pedali parce foliato, racemis dense 12—50-floris simplicibus vel compositis, pedicellis ascendentibus infimis 1—2 poll. longis bracteis superantibus, perianthii segmentis lanceolatis acutis unguiculatis 5—6 lin. longis supra unguem glandulâ magna flavo-viridi apice dentata præditis, genitalibus perianthio distincte brevioribus. — Zygadenus Fremontii, Torrey, Bot. 40 Parall. p. 848.

A native of California, reaching as far east as Utah.

Rootstock a large evoid bulb with brown tunics. Leaves mostly basal, bright green, glabrous, arundinaceo-carnose, a foot to two feet long, three to four lines broad, recurved, persistent, narrowed to a point. Stem a foot to two feet high, furnished with two or three reduced leaves. Racemes densely twelve- to fifty-flowered. simple or panicled. Pedicels erecto-patent, the lower ones an inch to two inches long. Bracts membranous, lanceolate, persistent, as long as the upper, shorter than the lower pedicels. Perianth cream-white, the divisions equal, lanceolate above a distinct claw, narrowed gradually to a point, spreading from the top of the claw when expanded, distinctly many-nerved, vertically plicate, furnished at the top of a claw with a large viscid greenish vellow gland which is toothed on the upper side. Filaments filiform, shorter than the segments. Styles distinctly separated. Fruit a dry coriaceous three-lobed many-seeded capsule threefourths of an inch to an inch long, surrounded by the marcescent perianth.

Tab. 854.—1, a single segment of the perianth; 2, stamens and pistils; 8, pistils alone; 4, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

This plant produces a branched flower-spike, and pale straw-coloured flowers. I am indebted to Mr. Bull, of Chelsea, for the opportunity of figuring this interesting bulb, which will probably be as hardy as *Triteleia conspicua* (Tab. 43), and may be treated in the same way.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 355.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE. Tribe AMARYLLEE. Genus Cyrtanthus. Aiton.

C. Mackeni (Hook. fil., Gard. Chron. 1869, p. 641). Bulbo ovoideo tunicato, foliis 4—6 synanthiis linearibus viridibus carnosis suberectis 9—12 poll. longis 8—4 lin. latis, scapo subtereti foliis æquilongo, umbellis 8—4-floris, spathæ valvis lanceolatis pedicellis multoties longioribus, perianthio albo odoro, tubo curvato 21—24 lin. longo cylindrico sursum sensim ampliato, segmentis oblongo-deltoideis falcatis 8—4 lin. longis, stylo ex tubo haud exserto.

A native of Natal, gathered by Mr. McKen and others.

Bulb ovoid, brown-tunicated, an inch to an inch and a quarter thick. Leaves four to six, contemporaneous with the flowers, green, fleshy, suberect, nine to twelve inches long, three to four lines broad, narrowed to a point, flattish in the upper, channelled down the face in the lower half, mottled near the base with purple. Scape subterete, twelve to fifteen inches long, with a faint glaucous tinge. Umbels three- or four-flowered. Valves of the spathe lanceolate, an inch and a half to two inches long. Pedicels very short. Perianth pure white, fragrant; tube much curved, an inch and three-fourths to two inches long, cylindrical, dilated slightly gradually upwards; segments oblong-deltoid, three to four lines long, falcate when expanded. Stamens biseriate, placed near the top of the tube, with very short filaments. Style as long as the tube, distinctly trifid at the tip.

Tab. 855.—1, free portion of perianth cut away from the ovary; 2, pistil; 8, horizontal section of ovary: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A very pretty bulb, easy to flower, if grown freely in light sandy loam, and well supplied with water. It requires the protection of a cool greenhouse or pit. I have received this plant from several sources.—W. W. S.







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TAB. 356.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEÆ. Tribe AMARYLLEÆ. Genus Zephyranthes, Herbert.

Z. VERECUNDA (Herbert, Bot. Mag. t. 2588). Bulbo ovoideo, foliis 8—4 synanthiis suberectis viridibus planiusculis 8—12 poll. longis 1½—2 lin. latis, spathæ valvis linearibus deorsum connatis, floribus sessilibus infundibuliformibus albis roseo tinctis 18—21 lin. longis, segmentis oblongo-oblanceolatis acutis diutine ascendentibus tubo duplo longioribus, interioribus paulo minoribus, genitalibus inclusis.— Zephyranthes sessilis var. verecunda, Herbert, Amaryll. 175.

A native of Mexico and Guatemala.

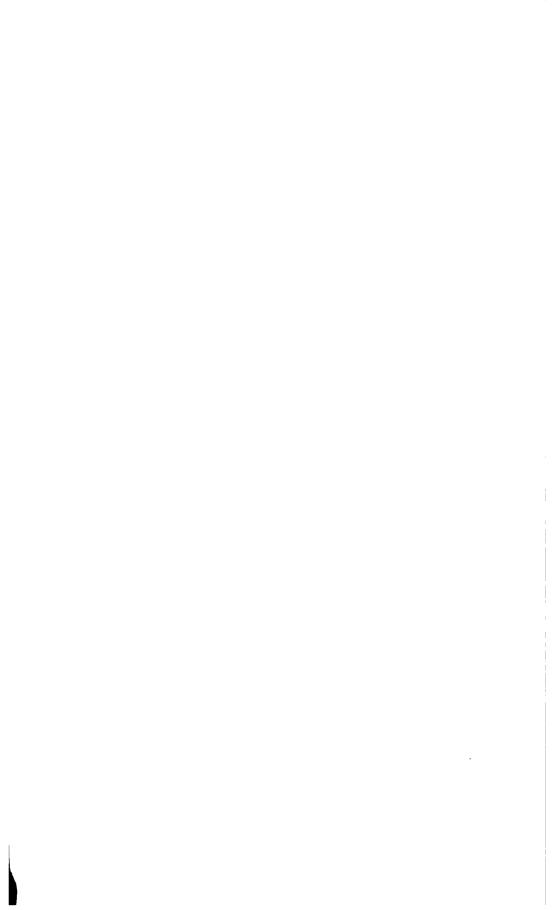
Bulb ovoid, brown-tunicated, an inch thick. Leaves three or four to a bulb, contemporary with the flower, green, fleshy, suberect, nearly flat, eight to twelve inches long, a line and a half to two lines broad, the veins immersed. Spathe of two linear membranous valves connate downwards, tightly adpressed to the flower. Flower solitary, erect, quite sessile inside the spathe, an inch and a half to an inch and three-fourths long, white more or less deeply tinged with pink. Tube funnel-shaped, half to five-eighths of an inch deep. Segments twice as long as the tube, ascending, oblanceolate-oblong, acute, the inner three rather smaller than the outer ones. Filaments from the throat of the tube, much shorter than the segments; anthers linear. Stigma distinctly trifid, placed on a level with the anthers.

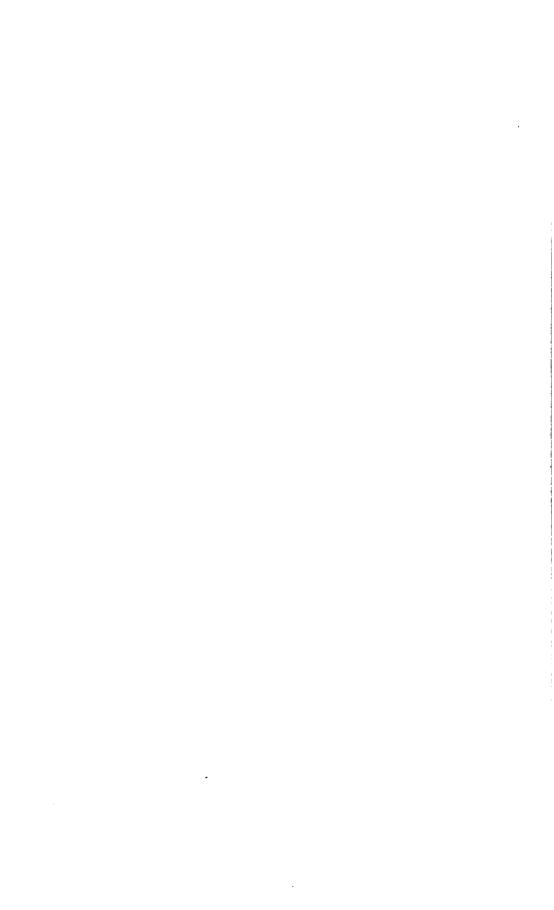
Tab. 356.—1, vertical section of ovary, and portion of perianth, to show the attachment of the stamens; 2, apex of style, with stigmas; 3, stamen; 4, pollen-grains: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A pretty species of Zephyranthes, which I received from Mexico, through Mons. Boucard. It requires the same treatment as recommended for Zephyranthes sessilis, Tab. 212 of this work.— W. W. S.











Pancratium rotatum, Ker

TAB. 357.

Natural Order AMARYLLIDACEE.
Tribe PANCRATIEE.
Genus PANCRATIUM, Linn.
Sub-genus Hymenocallis. Herbert.

P. Botatum (Ker, Bot. Mag. t. 827). Bulbo ovoideo stolonifero, foliis circiter 6 carnosis viridibus suberectis pedalibus vel sesquipedalibus anguste loratis supra medium pollicem latis dimidio inferiore leviter angustatis, scapo 2—8-pedali, umbellis 2—6-floris, floribus odoris niveis sessilibus tubo gracillimo 4—4½ poll. longo, segmentis linearibus falcatis tubo brevioribus, coronâ subpatula 2—2½ poll. lata inter filamentos leviter dentata, genitalibus segmentis paulo brevioribus.—

Hymenocallis rotata, Herbert, Amaryll. 217.

A native of the Southern United States, Mexico, and the West Indies.

Bulb ovoid, an inch and a half to two inches thick, stoloniferous. the tunics much produced about the base of the leaves. Leaves usually half a dozen to a bulb, cotemporary with the flowers, suberect. bright green, fleshy, narrow lorate, a foot or a foot and a half long, an inch broad above the middle, narrowed to a point. and downwards to half an inch above the base, the broad midrib conspicuous on the back in the lower half. Scape two to three feet high, ancipitous, two- to six-flowered. Spathe of several short lanceolate membranous valves. Flowers subsessile, pure white, fragrant; tube very slender, four to four and a half inches long, a line and a half to two lines thick, tinged with green; segments linear, reflexed, about three inches long; crown subpatulous, two to two and a half inches across, slightly equally toothed between the filaments. Filaments an inch to two inches long after leaving the crown: anthers linear. Style sometimes exceeding, sometimes falling short of the filaments.

Tab. 857.—1, tip of style and stigmas, magnified.—J. G. B.

This fine species should be potted in good turfy loam, with plenty of drainage. It delights in a damp, shady, warm greenhouse or stove, while growing. It should have a season of rest by keeping it moderately cool, but not very dry. I am indebted to Mr. Dan. Hanbury for my stock of this plant — W. W. S.

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Amaryllis erocata, *Gant*

TAB. 358.

Natural Order Amaryllidaceæ.
Tribe Amarylleæ.
Genus Amaryllis, Linn.
Sub-genus Hippeastrum, Herbert.

A. CROCATA (Gawl., Bot. Reg. t. 88). Bulbo magno ovoideo, foliis 4—6 bifariis loratis viridibus sesquipedalibus carnosis reflexis, scapo valido tereti glauco 2—8-pedali, umbellis 2—4-floris, spathæ valvis lanceolatis pedicellis erectis æquilongis, perianthio inodoro 5-pollicari cernuo fauce haud coronulato segmentis supra ovarium in tubum semipollicem longum coalitis saturate miniatis dorso et fundo viridibus flore expanso dimidio superiore falcatis, exterioribus 1½ poll. latis, interioribus 2 superioribus pollicem latis, infimi angustiori, genitalibus perianthio distincte brevioribus. — Hippeastrum bulbulosum var. crocatum. Herb. Amarull. 189: Kunth. Enum. v. 529.

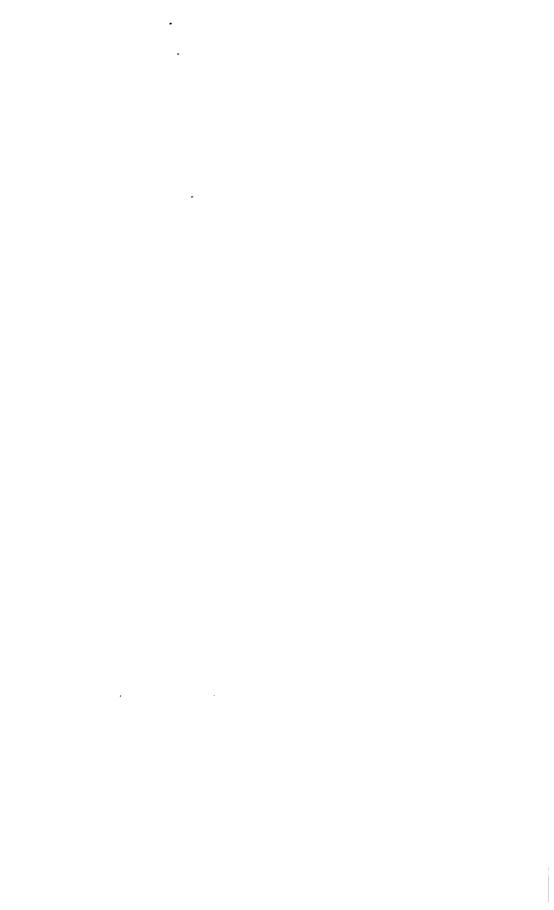
A native of Brazil, long known in cultivation.

Bulb ovoid, brown-tunicated, two to three inches thick. Leaves four to six, bifarious, lorate, green, sessile, a foot and a half long, an inch and a half to two inches broad, bluntish, recurved, narrowed to a broad base, fleshy, obscurely keeled down the face and back. Spathe two to three feet high, strong, erect, glaucous, subterete. half to three-fourths of an inch thick. Flowers two to four, inodorous. Spathes two, lanceolate, two to three inches long. Pedicels erect, as long as the spathes. Perianth cernuous, funnel-shaped, five inches deep, not produced at the throat, bright red tinged with green down the back, and with yellowgreen in the throat; the segments united for half an inch above the ovary, falcate in the outer half in the expanded flower, the outer ones an inch and a half broad, the two upper inner ones an inch broad, the lowest inner one still narrower, all undulated towards the edges and narrowed to an acute point. Style and much incurved stamens considerably shorter than the perianth.

I obtained this beautiful species of Amaryllis from Mr. E. Reed. The bulbs were collected by him in the neighbourhood of Bahia, and, coming to hand in good condition, flowers were soon produced, by potting them in good turfy loam and sand, and

placing them in a warm greenhouse or stove. The bulbs require a season of rest after the active time of growth, and should then be kept moderately dry. I find that the species of Amaryllis with large permanent roots, like the present, do not like to have the bulbs disturbed during the season of rest. It is very important to keep these roots in good condition, as they aid very materially in throwing the plant into a natural healthy growing state. If permanent roots are dried up, much injury is done to the bulb, as others must be formed before the plant can be got into growth again.—W. W. S.





TAB. 359.

Natural Order FILICES. Sub-order POLYPODIACEÆ. Genus Pellæa, Link.

P. Steller (Baker, Syn. Fil. 453). Rhizomate gracili repente emerso paleis paucis minutissimis instructo, stipitibus segregatis nudis nitidis castaneis gracillimis fragilibus, frondibus parvis teneris oblongo-lanceolatis bipinnatis glabris pallide viridibus, pinnis paucis distantibus deltoideis infimis haud reductis, pinnulis frondium fertilium ligulato-lanceolatis subacutis maximis interdum lobatis, frondium sterilium obovatis obtusis, venis liberis immersis perspicuis, involucro lato subcontinuo membranaceo.—Pteris Stelleri, S. G. Gmel. Nova Com. Act. Petrop. xii. 519, tab. 12, fig. 1. Pellaa gracilis, Hook. Sp. Fil. 2, p. 188, t. 188 B.

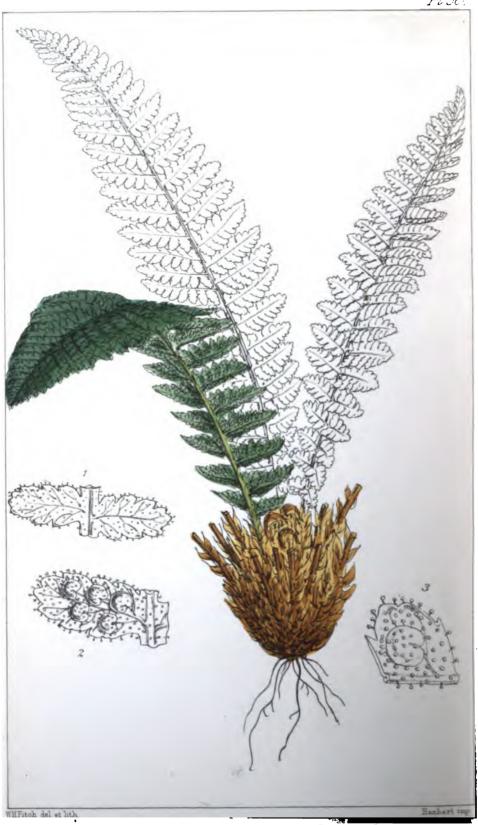
A native of Siberia, the Himalayas, Canada, Newfoundland, and the Northern United States.

Rhizome slender, wide-creeping, clothed, when it emerges from the ground, with a very few minute pale brown scales. Stipes castaneous, naked, two to four inches long, slender, fragile. Fronds membranous, pale green, glabrous, very tender, three to four inches long, oblong-lanceolate, bipinnate, the fertile and barren ones usually dissimilar, the former the most numerous. Pinnæ few, distant, the upper ones of the fertile frond simple, ligulate, the lower compound, deltoid, the lowest pair at least as large as the central ones. Pinnules of the lower pinnæ one- to three-jugate, ascending; of the fertile frond ligulate-lanceolate, subacute; of the barren frond shorter, broader, obovate, blunt. Veins free, slender, distinct, pinnate. Involucre broad, subcontinuous, glabrous, membranous.

Tab. 859.—1, barren pinnule; 2, fertile pinnule: both magnified. —J. G. B.

This is an interesting fern, figured from a specimen in the Royal collection at Kew.—W. W. S.





Nephrodium fragrans, Richards.

TAB. 360.

Natural Order FILICES. Sub-order POLYPODIACEE. Genus NEPHRODIUM, Rich. Sub-genus LASTREA, Presl.

N. Fracerans (Richards. Append. Franklin, p. 783). Caudice erecto, stipitibus brevibus cæspitosis paleis magnis brunneis lanceolatis dense vestitis, frondibus oblanceolatis parvis concinnis tripinnatifidis subcoriaceis supra viridibus glabris subtus pallidioribus glandulosis ad costas paleaceis, rachibus stramineis antice sulcatis dorso dense paleaceis, pinnis patentibus lanceolatis confertis inferioribus laxioribus sensim minoribus, pinnulis oblongis obtusis liberis pinnatifidis, venis liberis in segmentis tertiariis furcatis, soris in segmentis solitariis, involucro magno glanduloso.— Hook. et Grèv. Ic. Fil. t. 70; Hook. et Baker, Syn. Fil. 275.

A native of Siberia from the Caucasus to Kamschatka, and of North America as far south as Wisconsin.

Caudex erect, woody. Stems densely tufted, an inch to three inches long, clothed with large bright brown lanceolate acute membranous scales. Fronds with a distinct scent like that of violets, oblanceolate, four to nine inches long, an inch to two inches broad at the middle, narrowed gradually to both ends, subcoriaceous in texture, bright green and glabrous above, paler. glandular, with abundant adpressed scales, especially on the midribs of the pinnæ below. Main rachis stramineous, deeply sulcate down the face, abundantly scaly on the under side, especially in the lower part. Pinnæ close, lanceolate, blunt, the lower laxer and dwindling down gradually to a very small size. Pinnules oblong, blunt, pinnatifid, nearly or quite free. Veins forked or subpinnate in the tertiary segments, each of which, except the uppermost, in the fertile fronds, bears a single sorus, which covers all except the tip. Involucres large, glandular. distinctly reniform.

Tab. 860.—1, barren pinnules; 2, fertile pinnules; 8, portion of the same: all magnified.—J. G. B.

A very interesting fern, well worth growing on account of the pleasant perfume, something like violets, given out by the fronds. The plant grows freely, if planted in turfy peat, well-drained, placed in a cool frame, and liberally supplied with water. I received my stock of this fern from Mr. Stark, of Edinburgh.—
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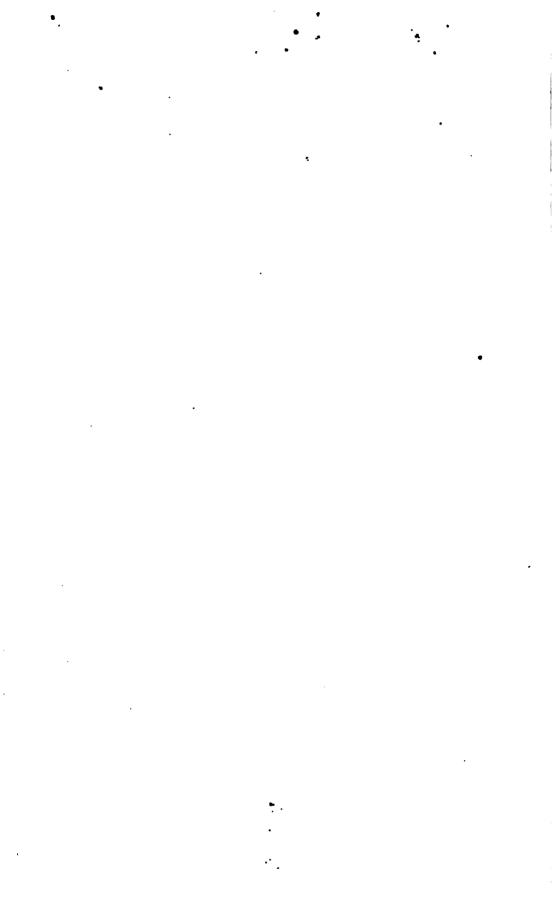
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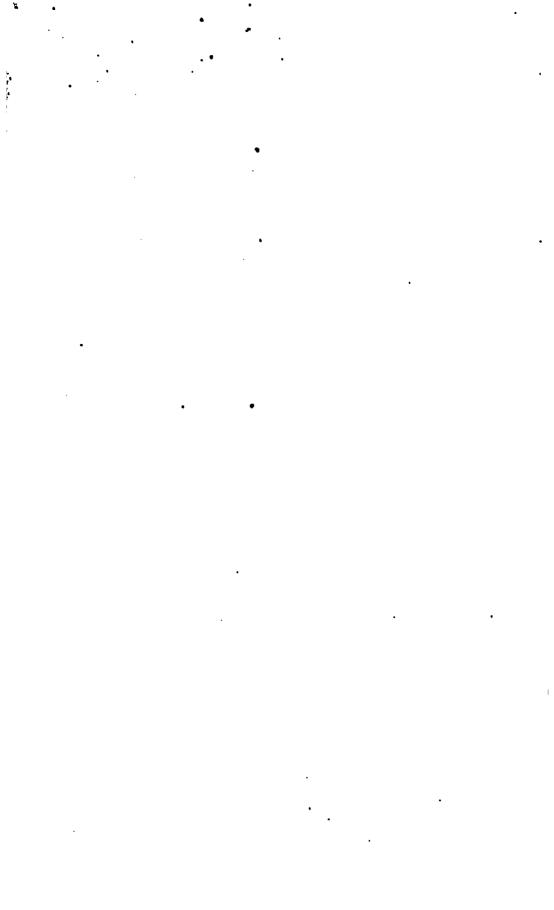
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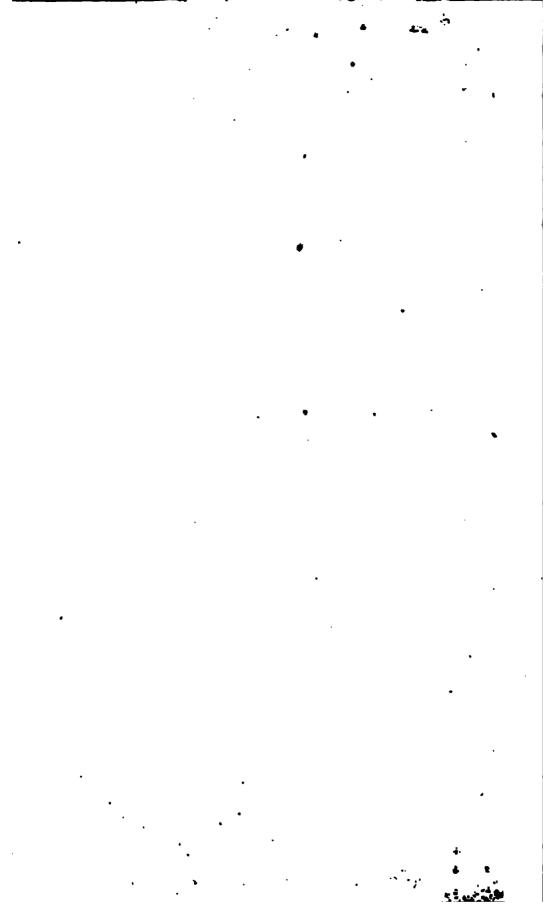
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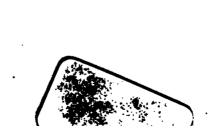
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